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A safe, soft landing



Last week Sarah Southam's physics class at Telstar High School tested their knowledge of momentum by designing packaging to protect eggs dropped from a height - in this case the top of the Newry Fire Department's ladder truck ladder, some 100 feet off the ground. Here, Firefighter Ben Laier releases Austin Ryerson's parachute-like paper design. The egg landed intact. More photos, Page 9.

(Photo: A. Aloisio)

Davis Park Fun Run to raise funds for Boston bombing victim's family

By ALISON ALOISIO

A "fun run" for kids planned for May 18 in Bethel has a goal to raise \$1,000 to go toward the family of Martin Richard, the eight-year-old boy killed in the Boston Marathon bombing last month. Shanta Hoff of Bethel said she and her two children, eight-year-old EB and six-year-old Mae, were driving back to Maine through Massachusetts two days after the bombing. "I was trying to talk to them about it and find a positive," she said. EB and Mae wanted to

help.

"We are a running family, and they came up with the idea for a run," said Shanta.

The run, titled "Kids Fun Run for Boston," will take place at 9:30 a.m. on the Davis Park bike path. The distance will be .26 (X2) mile, to mimic the Boston Marathon's 26-mile distance. The course will go down the bike path and back, and all children participating will receive a medal. All ages may participate.

Registration is \$15. Checks may be made out

to The Richards Family Fund, and all proceeds will go to the family. Other people may sponsor runners, if they wish.

Registrations may be mailed to Shanta Hoff at 175 Walkers Mills Road, Bethel 04217. For a registration form e-mail Hoff at sherapababy@me.com or download it from the .26(x2) Fun Run Facebook page.

Hoff also said people may register at the race, but she asks them to contact her so she will have a head count.

Dog park/basketball vote uncertain

By ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel selectmen Monday appointed a committee to plan recreational facilities at Davis Park, but a petition request for residents to vote next month on whether a dog park or a basketball court should go on a parcel there is still up in the air.

Selectmen charged the committee to "prepare a plan for recreational facilities at Davis Park, which may include, but not be limited to, basketball courts, tennis courts, and a dog park, with recommendations for specific locations of each. The report will also detail necessary ancillary facilities, costs and permits necessary for implementation. The report to the selectmen will

be due no later than June 30."

The committee was the board's solution to what they saw as an either/or choice between a dog park, which has been approved by the Planning Board but was slated for a referendum vote June 11, and a basketball court that many supporters of youth recreation prefer.

Todd Wheeler, who favors a basketball court, last month presented a petition for residents to vote at the June 12 town meeting on both proposals, but the board favored instead a long-range plan for the land. They also approved a town meeting warrant article that would authorize selectmen to accept donations to be used toward

implementing recommendations of the committee, at the board's discretion.

However, on Monday Attorney Jarrod Crockett told selectmen that although he thought the committee was a good idea, legally the board needed to place an article reflecting the petition request on the town meeting warrant.

"The bottom line is you don't really have an option," he said.

Wheeler also told the board he would still like to see the basketball court go to voters in June.

After some discussion on the technicalities, selectmen agreed to check with the town attorney

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"C" and "F" grades for SAD 44

By ALISON ALOISIO

SAD 44 officials Monday said the "F" grade given to Telstar High School by the state last week was overshadowed by last year's low standardized test score results.

The Maine Department of Education last Wednesday released "report cards" on all Maine public schools.

The Andover Elementary School also received an "F," while the other three SAD 44 schools - Telstar Middle, Crescent Park Elementary and Woodstock

Elementary - received a "C."

Standardized test results in reading and math, including the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP) in the lower grades and the SAT in high school, were used in grading. A series of points were awarded for various combinations of testing results, with 400 the maximum total points possible for K-8 and 500 the maximum for high schools. K-8 and high schools shared one common mea-

sure, but differed on two others. For all schools, proficiency (achievement) levels for the most recent testing were included.

For K-8 schools, "growth" - the collective improvement of individual students from the previous year - was also included. Growth was also included separately for students who had scored in the bottom 25 percent for the previous year.

For high schools, the oth-

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Newry board to consider bylaws

By ALISON ALOISIO

Newry selectmen decided Monday to research bylaws that the board could eventually adopt to guide the conduct of their business.

Bylaws may outline the duties of town officials and the conduct of meetings, hearings, votes and other proceedings.

Selectman Brooks Morton has recently been advocating for Newry to establish a charter commission to craft a town charter, which would provide more comprehensive rules for town business. Morton has argued that Newry

needs to better spell out the duties of town officials and town procedures.

But the board voted 2-1 at their last meeting not to go that route.

Morton had also said a citizen petition would likely be presented to force the issue, but none had been received as of Monday, according to Town Administrator Loretta Powers.

In preparation for their next meeting the board plans to review bylaws contained in the town charter for Poland.

Asked later about the status of the charter effort, Morton said, "I feel

as if I have taken the charter commission as far as I can as a selectman. There are still folks interested in a charter we will see if it moves forward. In the meantime the selectman will look at Poland and other charters to come up with some ideas for bylaws that would fit Newry's needs."

No pellet heat

In other business, selectmen reviewed estimates for a new heating system for the Town Office, with a possible connector to the adjacent Fire Station.

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For gardeners, impatiens is in short supply this year

By ALISON ALOISIO

Local gardeners who are fans of impatiens may be disappointed this spring if they plan to bring the plant's popular splash of color to shady areas of their yards.

A nasty disease known as Impatiens downy mildew is decimating the impatiens walleriana species, and some local greenhouses are not selling it this year for fear of spreading the mildew and disappointing customers.

Sally Sawyer, co-owner of Mountain Greenery in West Bethel, is disappointed herself. "It's one of our bigger annual crops," she said. "We usually sell more than 1,000 flats."

Impatiens are popular for their color, low-maintenance and love of the shade.

Sawyer first learned of the problem in January when she read about it in a newspaper - after she had already ordered and received her 2013 supply of impatiens seeds. "We sent our seeds back," she said.

The mildew was first discovered a decade ago in England. For the past three years, said Sawyer, impatiens have not been sold in Europe.

The symptoms of mildew start with yellow and droopy leaves, followed by a light gray growth that appears on underside of the leaves. The leaves eventually drop off.

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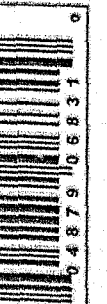


OTHER CHOICES - Leslie Kavanagh and Sally Sawyer of Mountain Greenery in West Bethel are shown here with some alternatives to impatiens - coleus and wax begonias. "You have to keep an open mind," said Sawyer. Anyone with impatiens infected with impatiens downy mildew is advised to bag them and put them in the trash rather than composting, so the mildew doesn't spread.

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Letters

STILL SCARED

To the Editor:

I read with interest Dick Taylor's response to my earlier letter. I hope this exchange generates more interest in some of the politics and debate over subjects of great importance to this country. The great men who debated and created the U.S. Constitution were all well-read individuals who were familiar with world history as well as the greatest thinkers in Europe at that time. They unanimously believed that a strong democracy (or democratic republic) would last only as long as it was supported by an educated and well-informed public.

As with many democrats, Mr. Taylor misinterpreted my comments about Fox News as my endorsement of everything they propose. Nothing could be further from the truth. I only encouraged people to sample Fox News as one source of information to compare with whatever else they read or believe. I agree that one should be as well informed about politics and whatever is going on in our governments (federal and state) as possible, to include all those sources Mr. Taylor cited.

I am still scared because I fear that the vast majority of the American public is ill informed and easily misled by those who seem to be leading us on a path of ever more dependence on government largess which cannot be sustained. A recent survey of Americans found that less than 50 percent could identify a photograph of Vice President Biden! The majority of the TV network news organizations choose to ignore news that they do not agree with. I will cite two examples.

The first is the disaster in Benghazi, Libya of last September. The Obama administration, including the state department has been trying to sweep that incident under the rug ever since. The latest example is the State Department's own internal investigation which found nothing wrong and nobody at fault. It was just recently revealed that that investigation failed to formally interview then Secretary of State Hillary Clinton as well as several other state department officials with knowledge of the situation. The House republican committee charged with investigating this Benghazi event will be interviewing several state department employees this week about this disaster. To this point there has been notable silence by the three major TV news networks. As far as I can tell, only Fox News has been publicly covering this with interviews with Congressional representatives.

The second incident is a highly politically charged, but notably ignored by the major networks, murder trial of a Philadelphia abortion clinic physician accused of murdering at least four late-term abortion babies, who were born alive and subsequently killed by having their spinal cords severed. I heard only the end of a conversation by a Fox News reporter at the trial who stated that the seats reserved for the media there were largely empty. As of this writing, the jury is still out; I believe this decision is expected any day now.

In my opinion, the media's ignoring of this abortion case is "political correctness" run amok in the interest of protecting the Democratic Party's policy of supporting "a woman's right to choose!"

Richard Grover
Mason

TAKE IN FEEDERS

To the Editor:

Peaceful Co-existence: As an Educator/Speaker for the North American Bear Center (NABC/WRI) I am writing to remind folks to take in their bird feeders this month. Black bears are hungry and in search of food; their normal diet is composed of tender wild greens.

Many people don't realize that our black bears are 85 percent herbivorous (plant eating), or that a delayed spring creates a major food shortage for these animals. A bear in your back yard is a hungry bear looking for food. If a bear doesn't find anything edible like birdseed or garbage she/he will move on.

Sara Wright
Woodstock

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the newspaper as a public forum for discussing topics they believe to be of interest to the community.

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CORRECTION

93 PERCENT-A sentence in the Letter to the Editor from Richard Taylor in last week's Citizen should have said the wealth of the remaining 93 percent decreased.

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REMEMBERING LEE HUTCHINS

To the Editor:

The recent death of Lee Hutchins brings to mind an individual with many talents. His gardens and woodpiles were works of art. His abilities in the woodworking shop were legendary. His saw filing skills were exemplary. His remarkable memory extended back seventy-five years or more. He held strong opinions on many topics and often expounded on them.

Lee also worked on numerous pieces of furniture of mine. Perhaps nothing was as ambitious as the time he restored my Victorian Gothic desk built by my Civil War veteran great-grandfather in 1885. It was not in good condition when he began work on it, but as usual he restored it to its original "glory." How pleased I was to see it finished and how proud he was to have worked on it so meticulously. It now rests in my house in a distinctive location along with all the furniture Lee restored for me. I can't go in many rooms without viewing at least one of his restoration projects.

I am also thankful that he filed two or three years ago all twenty-two handsaws that I own. Every time I cut a board with one of them in my shop, I am eternally thankful that he has made them so easy to use.

One of my most vivid memories of Lee will always be his use of the word "snum" which I had only heard used in East Bethel by the late Ormando Farwell (1881-1968) when I was a child in the 1950s. I always believed the word was considered archaic, but a check of my 1976 edition of the Merriam-Webster Unabridged Dictionary, yields the information that its origin is unknown and it means "to vow or declare" as used in the phrase "I snum."

Therefore, I can only conclude this letter by writing, I snum Lee Hutchins was pretty damn special and I am so grateful to have known him through these many years!

Stan Howe
Bethel

Newry

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In March the town budgeted \$7,000 for that purpose, with the work planned for this summer.

The town office currently uses an oil-fired, hot air system.

Code Enforcement Officer Dave Bonney, who researched options, presented some estimates in that range. He also provided estimates for a wood pellet boiler system in the \$35,000 range.

Wood pellet prices are currently lower than more traditional fuels, and some towns, like Bethel, have been able to secure grants to help pay the cost.

But, said Bonney, the availability of grant funds is more uncertain now.

His information also included a 15-year comparison of costs for pellet and oil systems from Maine Energy Systems, using initial installation costs of \$30,000 and \$7,500, respectively. Six years would pass before the pellet system would be more cost-effective overall than the oil one, according to the projection. By the 15th year, relative savings for the pellet system is estimated

at about \$37,000.

Selectmen said a special town meeting would be needed to approve a pellet system purchase because of the added cost.

Morton noted that there is currently considerable heat loss in the town office where the hot air blows out next to outside walls and windows.

He suggested tackling some of the heat loss issues and replacing the current system with an efficient oil system.

"If we stop the heat loss and get more efficient, we may be able to see [the same savings as with wood pellets] just with minor changes," he said.

Chairman Wendy Hanscom and Selectman Gary Wight agreed.

"The payoff is so long and it doesn't sound like grant money is easy to get anymore. And I didn't hear a groundswell at town meeting for a pellet system," said Hanscom.

Wight also said he didn't think the pellet savings would justify that option.

Powers said a zoned system, presented as part of the several estimates, would

allow the lightly-used meeting room to be heated to a lower temperature much of the time.

The board decided to rule out the pellet option and study/research the other, traditional ones more for their next meeting.

In other action Monday the board:

Approved a bid of \$31,877 from Cross Excavation for summer road maintenance work (no other bids were received);

Approved a bid of \$1,130 from Alan Fleet for roadside mowing (three other bid options from TRS Timber Maintenance Inc. were received, but all were higher; the lowest was \$1,755);

Approved \$689 for E.W. Electric of Dixfield to do electrical work at the Grange Hall;

Agreed to meet with the town auditor at a future date to review the audit and discuss a suggested handbook to guide the town's financial management;

Agreed to change regular meetings to the first and third Tuesdays at 7 a.m. beginning May 21.

Celladore

'The other side of the coin'

Visitors were as much of a problem as the weather. Few of them understood about haying. Houseguests could be ignored. If the weather was perfect and there was much hay to get in, they could take their choice between getting their own dinner early or waiting and eating at ten p.m. with us. Also, this is the season when you are invited out for dinner to meet the visiting friends of your friends. We accepted only if we could come late and take potluck. Invariably, on the same day callers from out of state would drop in. Their time was limited, we really wanted to see them, so would take off an hour or so to chat. It was impossible to win. If we skimped the time with the guests, or went very late to a dinner party, thus getting in the hay, the next day would be fine and our hay could have waited. If we took a chance on continued fair weather and left the hay out, next day it would rain.

For two summers we tried to bring some hay home from Riley Plantation, from a summer property there that once had been a working farm, a beautiful little spot back under the Mahosuc range, almost like a mountain meadow out west. This place attracted showers. We could see them coming and sometimes managed to get down the steep hill and far enough down the Sunday River valley to escape the storm. Often the rain would catch us halfway to safety. By the time we got home we would find bright sunshine, but our load was wet. Most of this was only fit for mulch. Once we had a flat tire just as we were ready to leave and start the twenty-mile trip. By the time the tire was changed, the rain had drenched the load; it had to be hauled away and dumped. None of the families in the valley who would have been near enough to get the hay dry wanted it. Again a changing world had bested us. Sorrowfully we watched the hay going to waste.

Finally B.B. decided ruefully that cutting our own hay was a luxury that we couldn't afford. He could go with a truck to a working farmer and buy bales of it of prime quality from the field and fill our barn in only a day or two. We could cut our own at our leisure to help the fields. If the weather was fine, we could salvage it; if not, dump it for mulch. The first summer of this new regime the gods smiled upon us. With no effort, no agony, we got in every spear of grass in perfect condition. Other summers were not as lucky, but it did put the fun back in to haying. I always planned to build at least one load each year to retain my skill.

Mowing the East Forty is always a dilemma. B.B. wanted to get it done so that he could take the mower blade from the tractor. I always wanted to wait to salvage the last of the blueberries. It was a barren field, we had never had time to plow it and seed it down, the grass was almost worthless, but it had to be cut off. B.B. patiently waited for me to set the date. Consequently, I must return his generosity of spirit and tell him to go ahead, only to wait until I picked one more pail of berries.

I walked over across the gully, knowing that the berries were not really worth the time spent garnering them. It was more of a sentimental journey, wandering about and getting two or three from a bush, enough to make two more batches of muffins. The air was sweet with sun-baked ferns. The bedstraw grew luxuriously in one spot, defied my attempts to transplant it nearer the house. Slender four-sided stems with whorls of needle-like leaves grew about a foot high to make a wavy carpet. The distinct scent of the June flowers was gone but still there was a fragrance very different from the ferns and brackens. I knew that pioneers gathered and dried it and used it to stuff mattresses and presumed that was the origin of the name, and I always wondered where they ever found enough of it, it is such a rare plant in this locality. Later when I visited Stowe one August I was surprised that every table in a large hotel dining room had a bouquet of it, that it was common there. I also learned the old legend that some of it had been mixed in the manger at Bethlehem. The smile of the Child had turned the tiny white blossoms to gold. It was known then as Our Lady's Bedstraw, all this shown in a fifteenth century painting by Poussin. Relating this to B.B., he remarked that evidently the folk of Stowe were more godly than those of Bethel.

B.B. started his mowing and I finished my wandering, threw myself down on the ground to say farewell to summer. It wasn't really an end at all but the local custom is for everyone to say after haying, "Well, summer's over." A feeling of serenity more than sadness prompted it. Whether the crop was good or poor, gotten in fine condition or not, at least the concern had passed, no more direct encounters with uncontrollable weather. The sun beat down, warm, not hot. The sighing of the pines was a low harmony of sound. Gentle breezes wafted a spicy aroma. The clouds moved slowly across a paler blue sky. Until the mowing was done, I ignored my other chores, just lay there soaking in the quintessence of summer, an afternoon to store in memory against the storms of winter and the ravages of age.

Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Pupils at the Andover Elementary School took part in a bike safety rodeo sponsored by the Andover Parent Teachers and Wallace's Wheels.

A logging truck swerved to miss a deer and overturned near the Woodstock-West Paris line, spilling its load and blocking traffic for several hours.

Deaths: Evelyn Louise Mason, John Ellsworth Cox, Sr., Elizabeth O. Noppa, Etta M. Ray.

20 years ago: More than 120 Jeeps and 260 people turned out for the fifth Annual Maine Mountains Jeep Jamboree.

Work had begun on a new stairway and lift system to provide handicapped access from Garland Chapel to the basement at the West Parish Congregational Church.

Birth: Kelsey Marie Labbe.

30 years ago: The Opera House bar and restaurant, formerly Luce Oil Co., was being converted to condominiums.

The Bethel Merchants team placed second in the Monmouth Men's Softball Tournament.

Births: Lindsay Rose Davis, Danton Rogers Brown.

Deaths: Eugene F. McNally, Kenneth C. Buck, T. Kendall, Mrs. Janet R. (Jennie) Bennett, Warren E. Percival.

40 years ago: Mundt-Alen Post 81 American Legion presented Life Memberships to Harry Taylor, Sr., and Arthur "Danny" Forbes.

Telstar's Peter Blake pitched a strong seven inning no-hitter against Mexico.

Births: Jeffrey Richard Bailey, Angela Mae Hebert.

Deaths: Carleton P. Penley, Elizabeth Reynolds.

50 years ago: The fire department was called out for a woods fire behind the residences of Rudy Royer and Kenneth Ramage, Paradise Road.

The Sixth Annual Rumford Community Hospital Charity Ball was reportedly a very successful benefit with over 200 couples on the list of patrons.

Births: Jeffrey Haggett, Cherie Lynn Cole.

Death: Mrs. Emma Brooks.

60 years ago: Howard Cole bought the house lots of Miss Beatrice Brown on Clark Street, and planned immediate construction of a residence there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kuzyk and Peter moved to their new home in Belmont, Mass.

Birth: Byron Stanley Lapham.

Death: Dr. Arthur G. Wiley, Ronald Bennett.

70 years ago: New cars for Maine were rationed. Maine's quota was 226. Bicycles were also rationed; the quota for May was 528.

Deaths: Mrs. Joe L. Spiney, Miss Clara Silver, Capt. Edwin F. Coburn, Mrs. Lillian True Bryant.

80 years ago: The farm buildings of Joseph Duquay in Hanover were burned. Loss was estimated at \$10,000.

The corporation dump was located at Herman Mason's field.

Births: Mary Porter Duke, Carmen Elizabeth Corbett, Kathryn May Hazelton, Clayton Leonard Barnett.

Deaths: Miss Laura Hall, Mrs. Stella Sessions, Roger and Robert Clough.

90 years ago: Rumford suffered a disastrous fire with damaged estimated at nearly \$72,000. Buildings were destroyed and two families were rendered homeless. Several businesses were affected.

Death: Agnes Straw Hastings.

100 years ago: Fritz Tyler tore down the Mercer house on Broad Street. The ell was one of the oldest houses in town.

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er two components were the graduation rate based on four- and five-year rates, and "progress" - the most recent three-year average of proficiency plus the difference between that average and the previous three-year average of proficiency. Progress compares from class to class, rather than the K-8 measure of collective growth of individuals.

For SAD 44 K-8 schools, the total points results were as follows: Crescent Park Elementary School, 252.3; Woodstock Elementary School, 278.1; Andover Elementary School 135.4 and Telstar Middle School 249.6.

For Telstar High School, the total points were 185.9 out of 500. The four-year graduation rate for 2011-2012 was 81.6 percent and the five-year rate 84.4 percent.

Supt. Dave Murphy said he had challenged the Andover grade because of the small number of students who took the last NECAP.

"Although I have been informed that the state may reconsider the method they use to score smaller schools in the future, it has been determined that the score will stand because there were more than 10 students tested in that school," he said on the district website. AES has 30 students.

Some Maine schools dropped a letter grade if an insufficient percentage of students took the standardized tests, but SAD 44 schools were not among them.

State education associations said the lower grades went to schools in poorer communities.

The Maine Educators' Association noted that 88 percent of the elementary schools receiving an "F" had more than half of their students eligible for free or reduced lunch.

Murphy echoed that correlation in his website

statement: "Many of you may be surprised to know that our district schools range from 52 percent to 63 percent with regard to the percentage of students who participate in the free and reduced hot lunch program, which is the measure used in these calculations."

He also said, "Please understand that we are not happy with these grades, nor do we believe that they provide an accurate summary of what our schools and teachers do on behalf of our students."

But, he added, "despite any flaws that might be associated with these report cards, please be assured that we are taking the results seriously and will be digging into the data that has been used to compile them."

Board discussion

At Monday's School Board meeting Murphy and directors discussed the school grades and what might be done about them.

Murphy said that when test scores from last school year were received last fall, "we knew we had some areas where the scores were low," including at the high school.

Bethel Director Lynn Arizzi, chairman of the board's Education Committee, said, "We did see these results in the fall, and at that time we knew we had some real problems, especially at the high school level, and in fact, sad to say, we're among the lowest scoring schools in math. So this was a real concern for us then. Those test scores have been going down in that direction for a while. We were really proud of our "C" schools, and Woodstock was very close to being a B school, and actually other ones weren't that far off from being a B school."

And, she said, directors were surprised that results were provided for

the Andover Elementary School, when in the past the test scores themselves have not been released because of the small pool of students.

She said administrators and school staff have been and will continue to do "data mining" - looking at standardized test results in detail to find trends in student performance, as well as correlations between when material is taught and when it is tested. She also stressed a need to cultivate a better atmosphere for learning.

Murphy said that while poorer districts may be at a disadvantage in the testing and grading, the reality is that the grades are based on data, performance and progress. "When you score low, it gives you an incentive to improve," he said.

Other directors advocated holding teachers accountable for student performance, finding ways to get students excited about learning and looking into an early kindergarten program to get kids started off on the right foot.

Other data

The state grades report also provides what is called a "Balanced Score Card," including a comparison of finances, broken down on a per-pupil expenditure basis, between SAD 44 and the state average. They include: regular instruction - SAD 44 budgeted amount \$3,737, state average \$4,579; special education - SAD 44 \$1,093, state average \$1,657; school administration - SAD 44 \$765, state \$596; debt service - SAD 44 \$385, state \$751; facilities - SAD 44 \$2,143, state \$1,265; total for all measures (not just those listed here) - SAD 44 \$11,935, state \$11,218.

For more information on the grading go to www.maine.gov/doe/schoolreportcards.

SAD 44 directors OK school budget, \$500,000 transfer plan

By ALISON ALOISIO

Directors Monday gave final approval to a \$10,371,310 FY'14 general fund budget proposal.

The figure is unchanged from a preliminary proposal made in late April.

Also approved was a \$152,259 Adult Education budget proposal, down \$5,600 from last year.

State aid is also down from last year for both budgets.

The overall local share of the general fund budget is projected to rise 3.8 percent.

Broken down by town the shares are: Andover, \$494,601 (up 6.92 percent, and not including an extra \$140,000 to keep AES open next year); Bethel, \$2,680,550 (up 5.2 percent); Greenwood, \$971,709 (up 3.99 percent); Newry, \$2,790,285, up 2.42 percent; Woodstock, \$1,014,649, up 2.54 percent).

Directors also approved a warrant article for the district budget meeting to move \$500,000 from the Undesignated Reserve Account, which currently has about \$1 million in it, to the Capital Reserve Account.

Murphy said the undesignated account builds up over time, and while the state has traditionally restricted the amount that can be kept in it, after the most recent economic downturn the restriction was relaxed until 2015, in order to give districts financial flexibility.

The Capital Improvement Account has been depleted with the current energy renovations at the Telstar complex, Murphy said.

Hearing and voting dates for the budget will be set at next Monday's board meeting.

New donation for CMCC program
Murphy announced that Sunday River Ski Resort will donate \$12,500 toward next year's pilot project

that will allow Telstar High School seniors to attend Central Maine Community College and simultaneously earn college and high school credits. Project Opportunity recently donated \$25,000 to the effort.

He said 14 families of current THS juniors attended an informational meeting on the program last week, and eight or nine then signed up for another informational meeting scheduled for this past Tuesday night at CMCC.

For students who enroll in the program, SAD 44 plans to provide transportation to CMCC.

The board also accepted the 2013 Dropout Prevention Report after hearing a presentation from THS Principal Dan Hart. The report lays out strategies for keeping students in high school.

The annual dropout rate over the past eight years has gone up and down, and has varied from 2.41 percent to 6.18 percent. Last year's rate was 3.95 percent.

In other business directors:

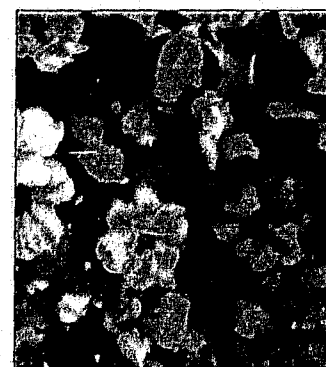
Approved a first reading of a change in the district's policy on restraint of students. A new, more restrictive law passed last year prompted complaints from some Maine schools, and the state Legislature has since made changes to the wording to provide school staff with more flexibility in dealing with unruly students, Murphy said.

After an executive session, re-admitted a Telstar High School student who had been expelled because the student had fulfilled re-entry requirements.

Approved Bethel Director Roberta Taylor to replace Lynn Arizzi on the Region 9 board.

Impatiens

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Impatiens

The mildew spores can be spread by wind and water. Sawyer said that although impatiens seeds should be free from the mildew, the sprouting plants can pick it up from spores left behind in greenhouses and elsewhere last season and then spread it further.

"We don't want it in our greenhouses, or be selling it to people," she said.

When her greenhouse opened last week, people coming in immediately asked for impatiens. When told the news, said Sawyer, "they were all very sad."

At Pooh Corner Farm in Gilead, greenhouse owner Carole Duplessis has not entirely ruled out impatiens this season, but, she said, "I am growing a precious few and will display an information sign next to them. If there was a problem in the garden last year, it will be present this year. I use a lot for weddings and containers, so I will have some available. It also has not been present everywhere, so some people want to chance it. But this is likely my last year with them since the disease will stay in the soil for five years. I'm counting on the plant breeders to bring us a resistant variety."

Both Duplessis and Sawyer recommend wax begonia as an alternative to impatiens, and Sawyer also suggests coleus.

For more information on impatiens downy mildew go to www.maine.gov/agriculture/horticulture/ImpatiensDownyMildew.htm

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Dog park

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on how to proceed. They agreed, however, that the committee itself may proceed independent of the petition issue.

Appointed to the committee were Debra Borchardt, Landon Fake, Edie Okenquist, Todd Wheeler, Jack Cross, Mike Steven and Jessie Seymour Perkins. Others who applied were Jim Bennett, Judith Diamond, Doug Farrar, Bud Kulik, and Amy Scott. Selectboard Chair Stan Howe said the meetings were public and encouraged the other applicants to attend.

In another petition issue, selectmen approved placing a petition-requested article on the town meeting warrant for another vote on a "tar sands" resolution, which had been approved by voters at a special town meeting in January. Representatives of the oil industry were prevented from speaking at that gathering when the question was called only a few minutes into the meeting.

Town Clerk Christen

Mason also reported to the board that the ballot for the June 11 municipal election will be for selectman, Don Bennett and Stan Howe (vote for two); for assessor, Stan Howe and David Luxton (vote for two); for SAD 44 director, Elaine Cross and Carol Everett (vote for two).

Lynn Arizzi is not seeking her director's seat again. Absentee ballots will be available May 13 to June 6 (5 p.m.).

School "Report Card"

In other business, selectmen briefly discussed the recent grade of "F" received by Telstar High School on the "Report Card" on public schools released last week by the state (see related story, Page 1).

Howe said he had heard from some residents about it. "A considerable amount of taxpayer money goes to the school and we collect the taxes," he said.

Howe was, however, critical of the grading method used by the state, calling it a "meat ax approach" that

was simplistic.

Selectmen Peter Southam cited an apparent correlation between test scores and the socioeconomic status of Maine school districts. Based on the number of SAD 44 students who qualify for free/reduced school lunch, the district falls into a lower socioeconomic category.

"I'm not sure how anyone in the state is going to fix that problem, other than hiring a lot of rich people to move to Bethel and pay a lot more taxes," said Southam.

He said he thought the grading system chosen by the state "is going to do more harm than good."

Southam said that someone choosing a place to live based in part on the quality of the school system "is going to look at Bethel and say 'I'm not moving there.'"

Howe said the situation is complicated, but selectmen should be aware of the issues. He suggested they ask to meet with SAD 44 Supt. Dave Murphy.



TWO FIRES in the past week have kept Bethel area firefighters busy. On Monday a 100-year-old former carriage house/garage that had been converted to a house was gutted by fire in Gilead. Fire departments from Gilead, Bethel, Newry, Greenwood, Woodstock, Mexico and Shelburne, N.H., as well as PACE Ambulance, responded to the blaze on the North Road. Gilead Fire Chief Randy Grondin said nearby woods also caught fire in an area of about five acres, but wildland teams were able to contain it despite difficult terrain. Grondin described "two different kinds of fires in the same location," and said the state Fire Marshal's Office is investigating. Building owner Ford Reiche of Cumberland said he has rented the roughly 24x24 square-foot brick structure in recent years, but no one was renting it currently. Reiche, who has owned the building for about eight years, said he was currently seeking a tenant. He said the building was insured. Last Wednesday a woods fire off the Perkins Valley Road in Woodstock burned 10 acres. Early this week the Maine Forest Service was seeking witnesses to help in determining the cause, which they said could have involved a human element. Firefighters from Woodstock, Greenwood, West Paris, Paris, Norway, Oxford, Mexico, Rumford, Dixfield, Peru, Andover and other towns were involved in the effort to douse the flames.

(Photo: Lin Chapman)

Bethel

By DON BENNETT



Exceptional art at Bonnama's Scenic Tiles produced at Bonnama Pottery are really something special to see. Melody Bonnama creates these tiles based on her sketching and photos of nearby landscapes—for instance, her most recent work is a scene from Screw Auger Falls. Once the basic drawing is finished to her satisfaction, the image is sketched on the tile. Colored glazes are then carefully mixed and applied by tediously pouring the glaze onto the tile

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Three Bears
Our first morning walk after getting home was ex-

citing. Hays, on his first morning walk to the river, galloped into the woods and chased three bears up a big pine tree—two of last year's cubs and momma bear. It was well over 60 feet up the trunk to the first branches and the bears were running. When Hays saw what he had done he came galloping right back to me. The bears were hanging out in the upper branches almost out of sight.

Helicopter ride
Saturday afternoon at the airport, one plane and a helicopter had just come in to refuel. All claimed they usually come to Bethel for the good fuel prices. All were interested in looking over an old Cess-

na that had met with some bad times—one wheel, a wing and the prop were out of commission. The visiting plane was from Pittsfield, two men on a tour of the mountains and the chopper was from Harrison headed for Greenville.

The chopper pilot had his dog with him. When he had finished refueling, he invited me for a short ride. What a deal. We headed out toward the village and swung north so we would pass by our house. Beautiful flying weather on Saturday—came down over Route 2, passed by the River View and our house, then back to airport. Pilot dropped me off and headed out for Greenville. Use this URL for a minute and a half video of the ride—<http://youtu.be/kStmrrh->

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Selectmen's meeting

Seven members of the Bethel Recreational Facilities Committee appointed at the meeting are: Debra Borchardt, Jack Cross, Landon Fake, Edie Okenquist, Jessie Seymour Perkins, Michael Steven, and Todd Wheeler. The committee's mission is to develop a plan for recreational facilities at Davis Park as well as recommendations for locating these recommended facilities. Facilities may include basketball courts, tennis courts and a dog park. In the plan there should be detailed information on necessary ancillary facilities, costs, and what permits are required to implement the plan.

Selectmen and Town Manager reviewed the

current draft of this year's town meeting warrant.

Article 3 is to see if the Town will vote to rescind the resolution adopted at a Special Town Meeting dated Jan. 30, 2013, in relation to the possible transport of Tar Sands Oil through Bethel, Maine.

In general terms, Article 4 concerns granting the Board of Selectmen the usual authority to accept donations from municipalities, private individuals, and foundations by means of cash, labor, equipment and services necessary to implement recommended Bethel recreational facilities as determined by the selectmen.

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The referenced application is scheduled for review by the Bethel Board of Appeals on May 21, 2013 at 5:30 PM in the Town Office meeting room.

The Appellants are appealing the Bethel Planning Board's approval of Extension of Site Plan Review Approval for a permit issued for the above facility on April 26, 2006.

Application materials may be viewed at the Bethel Town Office during normal business hours. Please call the Planning Assistant or Code Enforcement Officer at 824-2669 for an appointment.

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is a sure sign that along with maple leaves coming out, Bethel has left winter behind. Kudos to Brian Dunlap for his trumpet moment during the playing of Leonard Bernstein's "Somewhere." My other personal favorites played that afternoon were the music from Cabaret and a Benny Goodman medley.

The History Club
We discovered on our return to Bethel that the former Ferol and Henry Godwin's house was gone. I had known the Godwins since we came to Bethel in 1945. Reggie worked for

my father for a while and I hung out at the Godwin farm a lot. In the summer, they pastured their cattle on Hastings Island. We traveled back and forth to the island on Reggie's small John Deere tractor. In the 1940-1960 periods they also raised sheep.

In 1962 Henry acquired the house (I call it the Stowell house) standing in now the Riverside Cemetery land and moved it to the north end and across the driveway from the family home.

Oakley Godwin (1933-1973) and I attended Gould

together and went horseback riding together. Oakley and his wife Barbara often rode their horses in Mollycoddett Day parades.

Reggie started his first stint of raising broilers in the early 1950s - his first broiler house was built by Jim Spinney. It was a little wobbly and the floors had a good spring to them. After a wind storm and it had leaned dangerously southward - the building was propped up with old telephone poles.

The Godwin's driveway lay about where the Northwest Bethel Road once lay until circa 1915 when William Rogers Chapman had the town move it to the present route south of the Norseman.

Most important point historically is that the Godwin's house (the one just removed) stood about where the Second Congregational Church stood until 1909 when it was dismantled. In 1891 when the Bethel Agricultural Fair started, entrance to the fairgrounds also was about where the Godwin's driveway laid.

Yvonne Nowlin wrote that "In 1918, 'Professor' Chapman sold the Mayville Property (now the Norseman Inn) and what remained of the fairgrounds to Newell Stowe Godwin (1870-1938)." Newell Godwin sold the farm to Harry King but kept the fairgrounds property including the land where the trotting track lay. Newell Godwin died in 1938 and Henry (1893-1970) and his wife Ferol Godwin (1900-1982) became the owners. When the fair was revived in the very early '30s, the Godwins owned the fairgrounds land.

Reginald (Reggie) Godwin (1926-1991) was the last of the family to live on the farm. All of the Godwins are buried at Mt. Will Cemetery.

More about the Godwins - part two, next week.

This week's news photos and videos - <http://www.thebetheljournals.info>, see Recent News.

Bethel

By NANCY BROWN



The first performance of the musical "The Wizard of Oz" is tonight at 7 p.m. at

Telstar High School's Helen C. Berry Auditorium. Other performances are May 10 and 11 at 7 p.m. and a 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, May 11. The musical is based on the book "The Wonderful Wizard of Oz" by L. Frank Baum, which was first published in 1900. After the success of the first book, Baum wrote thirteen more full-length Oz books. No matter how many productions I see of Oz-related movies, plays, and musicals, I am always enchanted. Admission to the Telstar production is free. Donations are accepted and proceeds help the Telstar Theater and the Junior class.

We are still having some frosty nights, but along with the wildflowers and daffodils, some crops are thriving, including peas, salad greens, and some herbs. It's still a little early to set out tomatoes or plant your pumpkin seedlings. My grandmother was a great gardener. She knew exactly when to start seedlings and when to put them in the ground. She told her children that they could not go barefoot until all the snow had melted from Mt. Abram. Each morning on my way to work I sneak a peek at the mountain to see if there is still snow. On Monday morning there were still a few patches of snow. When the snow is gone, it may be warm enough to both go barefoot and plant a few more crops.

The Bethel Farmers' Market is scheduled to open Saturday, May 25. The hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The market is located on the green beside the

Norway Savings Bank, which is at the corner of the Parkway and Route 2.

The annual Bethel Library Plant Sale is Saturday, June 1. This sale is well known in this part of Oxford County for the beautiful perennials. We'll have more about the sale in next week's Citizen, but if you have plants from your garden that you would like to donate, please call Susan Day at 824-2741, Susan Parker at 824-4767, or the Bethel Library at 824-2520.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



Alder River Grange held a regular meeting on April 26 with nine members present.

The East Bethel School Reunion will be on June 30 at the Grange Hall at 2 p.m. There will be light refreshments and drinks for all to enjoy. The Grange will also present its Community Service Award at this time.

The Grange will host its first public supper on June 15. This will be a lasagna supper. There will be the regular type and vegetable lasagna to choose from. The Grange will have a yard sale and bake sale Mollycoddett Day in Stan Howe's yard. There will be a yard sale and bake sale at the Hall Labor Day weekend, Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. The time will be given later.

There will be a harvest supper on Oct. 19, and a turkey supper on Nov. 9. The turkey supper will be free to all veterans.

Alder River Grange, with the Bethel Historical Society, is putting together a PowerPoint presenta-

tion about the 100th anniversary of the 4-H Clubs in Maine. This will take place in late summer or early fall.

The times and prices for the suppers will be given out closer to the suppers. Alder River Grange will have a regular meeting on May 10 with a 6:30 p.m. potluck supper, and the meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the Hall.

Out and around, word has it that it's "Welcome back mosquitoes and black flies" time. Well, we are tough, can take it, and won't let them spoil our fun in the sun.

Kenneth and Lorie hosted a family BBQ last weekend.

What a crowd at Arlene's birthday! From Thursday 'til Saturday, Karen and Sue Lanther were there visiting. On the 3rd, the Merrills from Andover came and also Mr. and Mrs. Dawson Smith. Naturally, Gloria, Wilma and Wayne were also there to congratulate her. If she left out anyone, she's sorry. Plus she wanted to make my job easier for me. Oh, and by the way, did you notice the sign saying, "Honk, Nana is 90?"

The East Bethel Cemetery clean-up day is scheduled for May 18 with a rain date, May 19. Please, remember to come and get things off the graves prior if you want to keep them.

As always, feel free to call me at 824-3220, or e-mail han@megalink.net. Have a great week.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The weather has been just wonderful this past week. We had a

chance to spend some time outside sitting in the

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Wednesday, May 1

At 8:18 a.m. Deputy Chris Davis talked to a high school student about preventing an altercation with another high school student.

At 9:31 a.m. Deputy Chris Davis responded to the Mayville Road for a report of a theft at a business overnight.

At 1:18 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the Intervale Road for a single vehicle crash into trees. The single occupant could not get out of the vehicle, which was smoking. A followup contact with the caller indicated the subject could get out of the vehicle, which had stopped smoking.

At 4:14 p.m. Deputies Matt Noyes, Nathan Bowie and Sgt. Matt Baker responded to the Walkers Mills Road for a verbal altercation. On arrival the officers determined no crime had been committed.

Thursday, May 2

At 5:08 p.m. a complainant reported people trespassing on a relative's land. Deputy Dani Welch issued trespass warnings.

Friday, May 3

At 11:48 a.m. Deputy Mike Halacy responded to Evergreen Road for a welfare check.

Saturday, May 4

At 12:42 p.m. a resident on Main Street reported someone had been scratching on a door in the morning for several days.

At 7:01 p.m. a harassment investigation was started on the Flat Road.

At 8:16 p.m. on Route 2 Deputy Peter Casey assisted a State Trooper with a field sobriety test. The subject was not charged.

At 10:21 p.m. on Rabbit Road Richard F. Sprague, 44, of Bethel was arrested by Deputy Peter Casey and charged with first offense OUI.

Sunday, May 5

At 1:09 p.m. a gas driveoff was reported on Railroad Street. Sgt. Tim Holland was assigned.

OC Jail Log:

May 7, 9 a.m.: William A. Roscoe, 27, of Albany, failure to pay fines; by Deputy Matt Noyes in Albany.

May 7, 9:50 p.m.: Wesley E. Hewey, 59, of Albany, possession of a firearm by a prohibited person, violation of bail conditions, aggravated assault; by Deputy Nathan Bowie in Albany/Stoneham.

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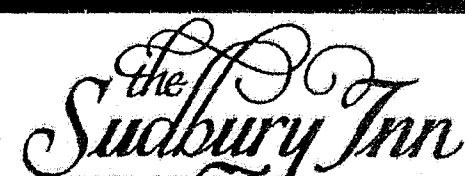
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swing and enjoying some quiet time. The lawn is beginning to turn green and the trees and bushes are putting out leaves. I noticed a few dandelions on the lawn and one lone little white violet by the front step.

My brother, Steve McLain, arrived early last Saturday to help get ready for the meeting of the Gilead Historical Society.

The usual birds have been busy at the feeder, but we noticed a few different ones this past weekend. There were three brown and white birds that looked like large sparrows, but they turned out to be female Red-Winged Blackbirds. On Sunday, there was a little more noise than usual at the feeder and when we looked out we saw a pair of Evening Grosbeaks. Shortly after they left, a male Rose-breasted Grosbeak arrived. These birds are all so bright and colorful.

Lise McLain went to Ledgeview to pick up her father, Gerard Dupont and took him to Androscoggin Valley Hospital for a checkup this past week. The appointment

went well and no issues were found.

Gilead Historical Society

There were 10 members of the GHS that met last Saturday to make final plans for Friends and Family Day on June 22nd. Those attending the meeting were: Andre Dupont, Mary Tyler, Steve McLain, Heide Munro, Happy Chapman, Norm Buttrick, Bob and Judy Bishop, and Hugh and Lin Chapman.

The event will be centered around the Town Hall, Schoolhouse and Train Station. The two GHS historic buildings will be open at 10 a.m. with displays inside. At 11 a.m. lunch will begin to be served in the Town Hall. The GHS will be putting on a "Crock Pot Potluck Lunch" that will be open to the public. The cost will be \$7 for adults, \$3 for children 5-7 years old, and under 5 years old will be free. There will be a variety of homemade dishes available and the price includes dessert and beverages. This will be on a first come, first serve basis.

This will be a fundraiser for the GHS to help with restoration of the historic buildings. There will also



CHAMBER AWARD WINNERS- The Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce held its annual Awards Dinner Friday evening. Pictured are, front: Tyler James, SkiESta Scholarship; Carlee Beatson, Student Citizenship; Cathryn Lovejoy, Volunteer of the Year; Melody Royer, SkiESta Scholarship; Tera Ingraham, Nonprofit Leadership; Gail Buker, Hospitality Employee of Year, Crossroads Diner; Stan Howe, Public Service. Middle: Andy Whitney, SkiESta Scholarship; Kevin Rosenberg, Ski Industry Employee of Year, Mt. Abram Ski Resort; Richard Melville, Education Award, SAD 44; Walter Hatch, Lifetime Achievement; Ron Fournier, Rocky Freda Memorial. Back: Kurt Mason, Student Citizenship; Kevin Annis, SkiESta Scholarship; Jim Sysko, Henry H. Hastings; Allen Connors, Special Recognition, The Bethel Inn Resort 100 years; Sheldon Morgan, Forest Products Industry; Steve Etheridge, Chamber President's Award. (Absent: John and Amy Amann, 22 Broad Street, Business of the Year; Jessica Doe, Rising Star Entrepreneur; Rebecca Hastings, Service & Retail Employee of Year, Mahoosuc Realty; Luke Hayward, SkiESta Scholarship)

be a speaker after lunch. Hugh "Cubby" Swan, who has done some research on the life of a hobo, will speak at 1 p.m. on the subject.

The GHS is hoping to

have a good turnout, so join us for some good food and a little bit of history on what the life of a hobo was like.

There will also be a table set up with items for sale that include the new 2014 GHS 10th Anniversary calendar. The GHS was

formed after the Bicentennial in 2004. In 2014, it will be 10 years since the GHS began this journey to preserve the history of Gilead.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning

Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Mid-Week Service. Saturday, May 11, will be workday at the church. On Sunday, April 28, the church celebrated their 157th birthday after the evening service. Cake and ice cream were enjoyed. On Tuesday, April 30, Coffee Cup devotions were held for the ladies. A good time of fellowship and Bible study.

Whitman Memorial Library will hold two programs in May. Today, May 9, Dianne Ward of Deep Wood Farm will be giving a general overview of all she offers with her summer riding programs. She gives private and group lessons to all ages and abilities, including senior citizens, beginning riders up to advanced. They have public trail rides and weekend camping with their horses. Come and see all that she has to offer. On Thursday, May 16, Sarah Wright will be presenting a PowerPoint program on Black Bears: Dispelling the Myths for Peaceful Coexistence. Sarah is one of the few education outreach speakers belonging to the organization of the Wildlife Research Institute. This is an educational program for all; hunters, non-hunters, old, and young. This program is factual and entertaining. All programs are at 2 p.m. Open to the public, no charge, and light refreshments.

On Saturday, May 11, the Historical Society will meet at 3 p.m. at the museum for cleanup followed by a meeting, ending in a potluck supper. Come join in the cleaning, meeting, and potluck supper.

On Sunday, April 28, Franklin Grange 124 held a special meeting to honor Roy Day, World War II veteran, and to present Jolene Littlehale with the Community Service Award. Many State Grange officers were present and also families and friends.

Monday, May 13, Judith Grover tent 17 DUVCW will meet at the Grange Hall for a regular meeting.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Alida Blood. The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens met at the Locke's Mills Church hall for a meeting, very nice dinner put on by the Ladies' Circle, and a very interesting program. Next month they will eat out at the Chinese Restaurant.

Andover

By JANE RICH



The Knights of Pythias are pleased to announce that they have received complete funding in the amount of \$2,000 for refurbishment of the Town Hall stage curtain and wish to thank all those who were instrumental in this goal being reached so quickly.

Lot owners in the Woodlawn Cemetery are reminded that spring cleanup is underway and if they have any items on family lots that they would like to retrieve they should do so immediately. Doing this makes it much easier for the town crew to make the cemetery presentable for Memorial Day weekend when people traditionally visit grave sites and plant flowers for the summer.

The Tax Map Committee met last Thursday. After a crash course on the importance of tax maps and how they figure into assessing, it was decided that the committee will retrieve all the deeds necessary to updating the maps. This was last done in 2001, so the group will be looking at approximately 900 documents. The chairman had secured a list from the Registry of Deeds for

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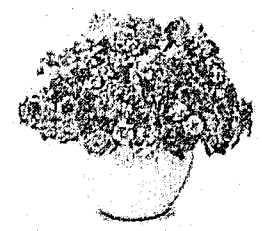
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all Andover documents filed since 2001 and members of the committee will be given instructions on how to review documents via the internet at a meeting on May 15th. Once all this information has been compiled, it will simplify the work the map company has to do and hopefully reduce the cost.

Sympathy is extended to the family of Dorothy J. Mills who passed away on May 4. Dottie and Roger had owned and operated Mills Market for a number of years, raised 11 children and were married 65 years. Funeral services were held on May 8 at the First Congregational Church.

A graveside service for Allan Bodwell will be held at the Woodlawn Cemetery on May 17 at 2 p.m. followed by a luncheon at the CEB.

The First Congregational Church has set the Vacation Bible School dates

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Ladies Aid Association is having weekly meetings, Tuesdays, at Leslie's.

They are working on their quilt. The quilt is now being cut. The Ladies plan to serve breakfast on Mother's Day, May 12, from 8 to 11 a.m. The second annual Krystal Carnival will be Saturday, May 18, 1 to 4 p.m. in the Upton School. It will be for kids up to sixth grade. There will be lots of prizes and games. The Ladies Aid will have snacks and treats available at the Ladies Aid Building. Please bring your kids or grand-kids.

The Letter B Notch Riders will meet Sunday, May 12, 9 a.m. at the Upton House.

The Upton Historical Society has a work trip to Forest Lodge scheduled for Saturday, May 18. They plan to rake and clean up the lawns and gardens. The group will meet at the Upton School at 7 a.m. and carpool from there. The society will have their May meeting Sunday, May 19.

Some of Bob Pepler's family recently visited him in Upton. They had a "Depression Party." That

means that they looked at pictures of themselves taken when they were much younger. They viewed the pictures using a carousel projector. The projector was purchased at the Balsam's auction and is nearly as old as some of the people in the pictures. If you are too young to know what a carousel projector is, you can research it on your computer.

Areas of snow on Red Ridge and on the north side of Mount Speck are still visible from my kitchen window. There are also still some small patches of snow in shaded pockets closer to home, but it is melting quickly. The ice is out of Umbagog Lake. I believe it went out Monday, April 29.

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Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



While there are some strong opinions out there about the three proposals

on the place for a new town office, Town Manager Kim Sparks said few people have contacted her to state their preferences. Most folks are likely waiting until the town meeting May 18 to hear what is said and then cast their votes. The three options are: modular building beside the Legion on the Gore Road, renovate the Town Hall on Main Street, or tear down the existing town office and replace with a new structure.

High fire warnings exist. The Greenwood Fire Department recently assisted with the two brush fires in Woodstock. Don't even think of a fire until conditions change.

Jane Chandler was recently privileged to watch a pair of bald eagles grooming each other in front of her home on North Pond.

Dick Melville is a candidate again this year for the SAD 44 School Board from Greenwood. Glad to hear he is willing to continue in this service to our town.

Skip cooking dinner Friday, May 10. The Greenwood Fire Department will be sponsoring a fish fry that day from 3-6 p.m. at the fire station on Howe

Hill Road.

There have been a few folks who have already jumped in the ponds for their first swims of the season. Kids are one thing since they are a bit impervious to the cold, but these were adults in for a swim. Hardy folks.

The Local Hub on Main Street has an excellent selection of garden-fresh greens. Such an improvement over what is available in grocery stores, and they are even lower in price.

Wild strawberries are in bloom. That means it won't be long before berry season begins. And, speaking of free food from the wilds, fiddleheads have been out for a while as have dandelions. By now, these traditional spring tonics have probably passed their prime. Love those fiddleheads. Dandelion greens, that is another story. They are tolerable if harvested very young before the buds set. Otherwise, skip them.

The cold-weather crops, such as lettuce, kale, peas, carrots, beets and such, have all been planted by now. Some gardeners plant their crops by the phase of the moon. I'm giving that a try this year.

Here is how planting with the phases of the moon works. Above-ground crops such as greens should be planted in the waxing phase of the moon. That is when the moon is approaching fullness in the first or second quarter. After the full moon, it moves into the third stage and that is when the planting of root crops such as beets or carrots, or trees and perennials, and other plants requiring moisture deep in their roots is recommended.

From the fourth quarter until the new moon (when no moon is seen) one should forego planting and attend instead to weeding, composting, or harvesting. If you want to give it a try, it is the new moon now, the next first quarter is May 17, the full moon is May 24, and the last quarter begins May 31. Of course, a little common sense about the weather is also recommended.

There is an art to wandering, heading out on foot without a set goal in mind. Years back, my relative Hal Rich, who some older folks will remember, taught me the fine art of wandering. He would ask if I would like to go for a wander with him maybe up to Ketchum or maybe just out the Peter Grover Road. The point of wandering was not to have any specific goal in mind but, instead, to have only a general idea of where we were going and the notion to be home before supper. Outside of that, we simply observed what was there to be seen.

Recently I took a wander out Ketchum way. I found spring wildflowers including spring beauties, wild oats, mayflowers aka trailing arbutus, foam flowers, red trillium and painted trillium. I ran into Ann Friedlander and Radar and got caught up on the last few years. I walked up to a friend's farm and, as always, marveled at the beauty there. From there I wandered through the woods having a rough idea where I would come out, visited the falls, and then

walked back to the car. Nothing of consequence had been achieved. However, for those wandering hours, the cares of the world slipped away and I was immersed in the life of the world. May the art of wandering remain alive and well for many and be passed down to the next generations.

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Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



Following a trip across Maine last Sunday, it is evident that spring has landed

upon us. Rich, green grass makes one wonder if it is time to get out the lawnmower. Bright yellow dandelions are everywhere, not to forget the forsythia bushes that help to brighten things up! We have heard about encounters with ticks, hornets, and black flies.

The Hanover Volunteer Day will be May 11 starting at the Town Office around 8 a.m. Bring shovels and rakes, and be ready to dig in.

We extend sympathy to the family of Ken Goddard, who passed away earlier this week at the age of 89, the son of Howard and Florice Goddard. He was a very kind gentleman and will be missed throughout the community. After his military service, he worked at J.B. Roberts Furniture Company and later at Rumford Paper Mill.

We also extend sympathy to Roger Mills of Andover whose wife Dottie

passed away last weekend. Together Roger and Dottie operated an Andover market.

With the sunny, dry weather, the area fire departments have been on edge. Several woods fires seem to occur every day. So far Hanover residents have been careful and we hope that trend continues.

On Thursday evening, May 9, Jenny Tirrell will graduate from the University of Maine with an Associate Degree at the Coliseum in Lewiston. Jenny is the wife of Matt Tirrell of South Town Farm Road in Oxford and she is the daughter of Donna and Clem Worcester of Hanover.

Bill and Gail Worcester had as guests Jett and Chance Worcester from Greene. We heard that maybe they went fishing. We have heard that Bob Brown has been ill. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Albany

By CATHY BENNETT



Greetings on this beautiful Sunday afternoon! It has been a very hectic week for me. Had to rescue Doug and family when their car decided it had gone as far as it wanted to, and blew the transmission while they were on their way to look for a new car. I stayed with them until they got a different vehicle.

Home for a couple nights, then back to East Bethel while the Bennetts are in New York attending a wedding. I am caring for eight laying hens, one

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rooster, nine baby chicks, two cats and my best buddy, Ozzie dog.

I have not received any other news. Do wish people would remember to contact me we need to let people know that Albany is up and kicking!

Yesterday I attended a 70th birthday party for my brother-in law, Stuart Smith, at the home of his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Smith of Harrison, Maine.

Roger and Yvette Barton called on Franklin and Margaret Barton on Monday afternoon.

Rachel Barton celebrated her 15th birthday on Sunday with a family party.

My fifty-year-old magnolia tree is in full bloom. I am surprised it survived the frosts.

Have a good week everyone.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



We held a memorial service for my "big sister" Verna Thayer last Saturday at

the West Bethel Union Church. The service really went well because there were lots of humorous stories about Verna and as told by her when living. There were many friends and relatives in attendance; Pastor John Williams performed his usual superior service, and I think everyone in attendance went home pleased about how much we all loved and appreciated her. Grandson Scott and granddaughter Tracy Thayer entertained as well, with humorous stories and examples of Verna's way of making all the kids seem loved by her, especially with her great cooking.

I think we have a bumper crop of tree swallows here this year. I have 15 bird houses on fence posts and trees around my garden, yard, and field, and there are lots of tree swallows flying around and checking bird houses. Only trouble is, there is

also at least one pair of bluebirds, and the tree swallows often drive the bluebirds away until their (swallows) young fledge. I hope we have some baby bluebirds this year.

We also have an abundance of woodpeckers, by the sound of their pecking. Several yellow bellied sapsuckers are often pecking at the same time from different directions. They seem to be competing to see which one has the best pecking spot. Some of their places really reverberate when they peck. The back wall of my sap house seems to be the favorite spot! Those sapsuckers have also really riddled my Austrian pine tree at the end of the house with holes; every hole is oozing pitch! I hope that's a good sign.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Good sunny morning to y'all. It's a bit nippy here this a.m. The thermome-

ter reads 32.4, but the sun is making its way over the orchard and beginning to warm up nicely.

Condolences to the families of Barbara Immonen and Emma Hatch. Thoughts and prayers to each family.

Several towns fought a woods fire here in the valley Wednesday afternoon. Burning over 10-plus acres before it was all watered down.

Welcome Home Betty Davis. Our love, thoughts and prayers are with you and sure hope to see you out and about soon.

Band practice here today at 1 p.m. I have a chop suey in the crock pot and a potato salad to serve up with BBQ hot dogs and rolls with a Hawaiian cake and whipped cream for dessert.

Yogi is on his way out to the garage to get the sound system and mics set up for practice. I'll be headed out to the garage to get the tables and summer kitchen set up for lunch.

Although we entertain the Veterans' and nursing homes two to three times a week, we still manage to get in at least one practice a week for new songs and different song arrangements. And we like to be prepared for the requests they ask for so the next time we spend with them we can have the songs they want to hear.

Had to make a quick trip to the city yesterday forenoon to pick up a dolly cart so as to be able to load the music equipment for easier movability.

Welcome Home all of our snowbirds from Florida and other warmer states. It's always nice having you back here in Maine during the spring and summer months.

Saw a White Bald Eagle teaching its young to fly yesterday. They flew over Route 26 down by where the Pit Stop garage used to be.

Belated birthday wishes to my friend, Carolyn Brann of Canton. I hope you had a great day.

Celia Paine is home after having to spend several days in the hospital. Get well soon. Hope to see you out and about real soon.

Alice (Allen), I am thinking of you, you are in my thoughts and prayers daily.

Craig and April stopped by late Wednesday afternoon. Then the four of us drove to Crossstone's Restaurant for supper - I love their garden salads, and the veggies are always crisp and fresh. Their triple-layered chocolate cake is to die for, so thick and moist, and so very delicious, we get one piece and share it.

Well folks, that's all from the valley this week. Have a great weekend and stay well.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



Finally, the days are warm, even if they start out chilly - 20-25 degrees. The birds are up early singing. The chicken can't wait to

be let out of her cage. We have baby chicks and two little baby ducks. They are SO cute. Everyone comes over to look at them. They are fun even if they raise our electric bill sky high. (We have to have lights on to keep them warm.)

Saturday I attended the Second Annual Lyme Conference in Mexico, Maine. It was well done and amazing to be somewhere where everyone got you. All too often people think that we are faking it, but all there knew what we were saying.

I learned that you can pass the disease in utero. I did not know that. I also got a tick puller and several other objects. I even got a lime green t-shirt for Lyme disease. We had a workshop on laughing; something us lymsies don't do often enough. After all was said and done, I was tired.

Thursday, May 9, ACOA will meet at the Waterford Library at 10 a.m. This is a discussion group and is open to new members. FMI please call 739-9115.

This Saturday, May 11, the Bear Pond Association will hold a watershed survey. This is a volunteer activity. FMI please call 743-5789 Ext. 101. Michele Windsor is coordinating it.

May 11 is also an annual spring sale 8 a.m. to 12-noon at the Methodist Church in South Paris.

Wednesday, May 15, SeniorsPlus will be at the Norway Town Office 1 to 4 p.m. Please call for an appointment. 1-800-427-1241.

Thursday, May 16, there is a community supper at the Wilkins House in Waterford. Bring a dish with your favorite food to share. FMI 583-6677.

May 17-19 at Fryeburg Fairgrounds, there will be a Home Garden Flower Show at the Fairgrounds. Admission is \$9.

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That is all for this week. Have a great week and if you have something you want me to add to this column, please call 739-9115.

Open air

By TOM REMINGTON

Black Bears Coming Out of Hibernation

For Maine's black bears, emerging from hibernation is their rite of spring and driving them out of their "caves" is hunger and probably not the smell of May flowers.

In early April, Randy Cross, black bear biologist for the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, held a seminar in Wayne, Maine about black bears. He stated that Maine's bear population is estimated at around 31,000. For those having difficulty determining what 31,000 bears means, I'll tell you it means a lot of bears. It might even mean the most bears ever in the state. More importantly it means your chances of encountering a bear, whether you want to or not, also increases.

There are many studies about black bears and what drives them into hibernation in the early winter and what stirs them in spring to crawl back into their other world. In simplest terms for readers, they hibernate because they have run out of natural food and wake up from hibernation because the climate outside is changing and they are hungry.

Hungry bears can often lead to trouble and that trouble happens when bears visit your property looking for food. There are things you can do to reduce those chances.

Anytime you read about an instance when someone was "attacked" by a black bear, you will often read the disclaimer that says something to the effect that it is rare for a bear to attack a human. This is true but it's just as important to try to understand why it is rare. It is also important to know that, although rare, it can and does happen and you need to be vigilant.

Circumstances drive all wildlife actions. Under normal and ideal conditions, seldom do peo-

ple have serious encounters with wildlife and in this case black bears. But when those circumstances change, as humans may not be out in the wild enough to know these circumstances are altering the behavior of the black bear.

Natural food availability for wild animals is always a habit-altering circumstance. When they have ample natural food, usually these larger predators pay little attention to what you are doing. Upon emerging from their winter dens, a hungry bear almost immediately begins searching for food to fill a stomach that's been empty for several weeks. (Thus, the origins of the term, "hungry as a bear.")

In spring, usually before what is commonly known as "green up", there is not an abundance of natural food available and for this reason bears, with their sensitive noses, get drawn to homes and farms where there might be an easy meal.

Most farmers who have been at their trades for some time, understand what happens in spring, as well as other times throughout the year, when wild animals might be preying on farm critters, crops, open grain bins, etc. Farmers experiencing spring birthing seasons for their livestock, know that tiny new offspring become a dinner menu item of large predators.

For the average home owner however, there are two major things people should be aware of: bird feeders and garbage cans. A hungry bear is not a fussy bear and cleaning out a bird feeder takes only a few moments but sometimes the mere fact that a bear was drawn to your home because of a bird feeder, can lead to other problems - like getting into your garbage or attempting to make a meal out of your pets, or worse.

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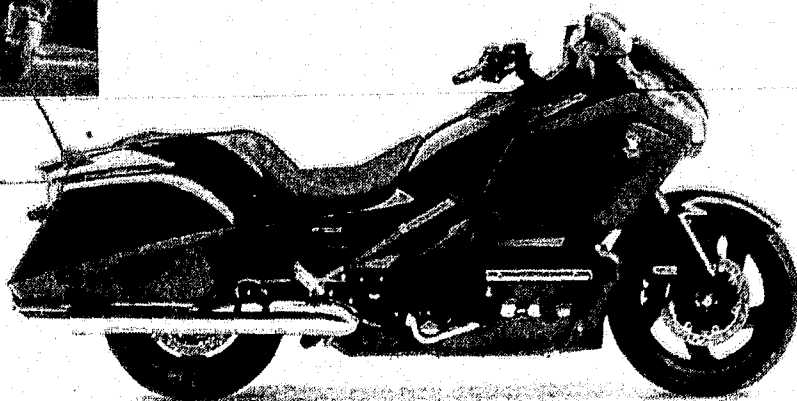
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pen on small children, I think for obvious reasons. My advice would be to take down your bird feeders. This is only necessary for a few weeks during spring and will not disrupt your friends who come regularly to your feeder. As a matter of fact, you may be doing them a favor, forcing them to go eat a bug or worm on their own.

In addition to removal of your feeder, secure your garbage. You can spend the money to purchase "bear proof" containers but at least keep the garbage where bears can't get into it. For those of you wanting to put garbage out the night before pickup, consider waiting until the morning to do so.

Another tip is to be aware that if you live in a place that is known to be susceptible to bear encounters, don't leave windows open in first floor rooms where tantalizing food odors can waft outside attracting bears and other critters. Bear have been known to enter homes through windows, even when the screens are on. Screens are no deterrent to a hungry bear. Coming face to face with a bear in your kitchen snacking on Dunkin' Donuts, is not something people would find pleasant.

I would never pretend to tell people they shouldn't feed wildlife but please consider that when you do, you are actually creating other unnatural problems that may put the animals at risk, as well as you and your human friends, including neighbors. As it may pertain to black bears, do not, under

any circumstances feed them. An habituated bear becomes a dead bear. An animal like this, that has learned not to fear humans and see them as only a food source, will result in the forcing of that animal's death.

Tom Remington is an author, writer and long-time resident of Bethel. You can read more of his writings on outdoor issues, including the politics that go with them, on his website at tomremington.com

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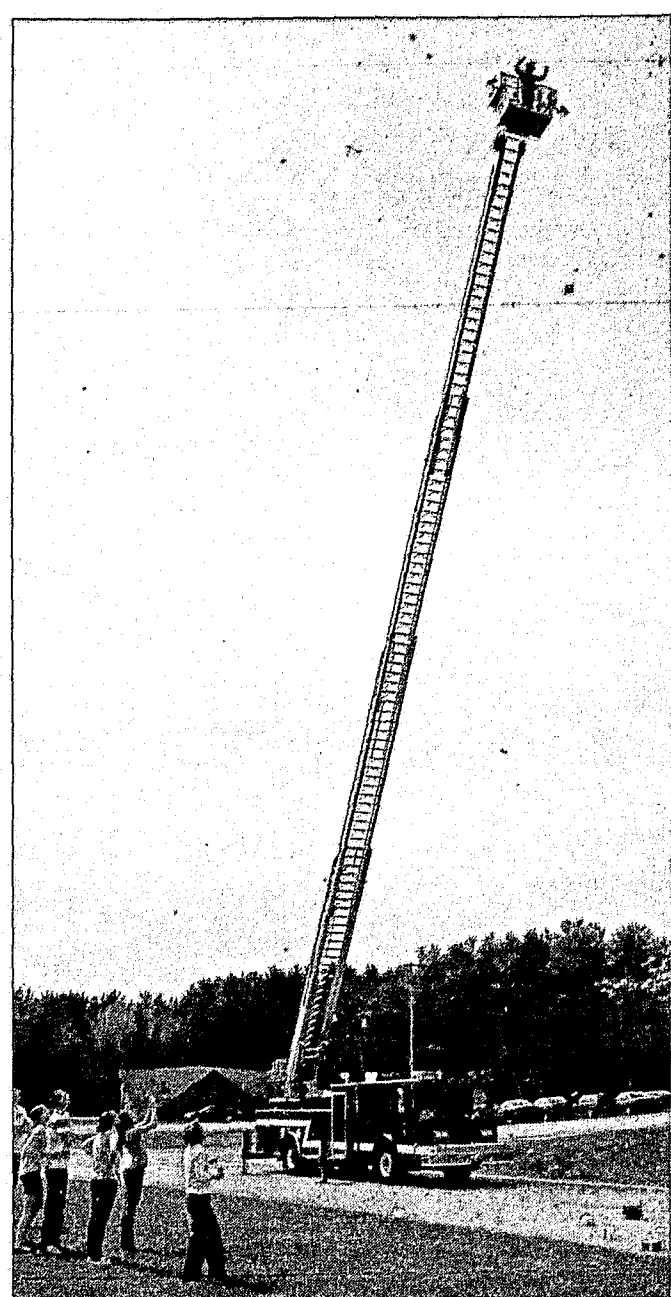
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EGGS AWAY-Top: Ben Laier drops an egg package from the Newry ladder truck. Bottom: Michael DelDuca, Savanna Patenaude, Casey Blaszcak, Austin Ryerson, Tyler Cherkis, Josef Holt, Bronson Dean and Alyssa Brands with their egg packages.



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High School Girls' Varsity Softball

Correction of results reported 5/2/13: Telstar 9, Mt. Abram 0; April 29 – Jessica Dirago threw a no-hitter and struck out 15 batters to lead the Rebels to a win over Carrabec on Monday. Taylor Savage and Rachael Wheeler had three hits apiece to pace the offense. Becca Howard and Sadie Ellsworth added 2 hits each. The defense played well. Six different Rebels scored in the game with Taylor, Rachael, and Sadie scoring 2 runs each. Good game, ladies. – Coach Jim Lunney.

Telstar 14, Carrabec 2; May 1 – Telstar's softball team raised their record to 5-0 with a win over Carrabec on Wednesday. Jessica Dirago threw a 2-hitter and struck out 11 Cobras to lead the Rebels. Rachael Wheeler, Ellie Conrad, Becca Howard, and Autumn Berry each drove in two runs to pace the Rebel offense. Rachael and Ellie had 2 hits apiece. Rachael and Maisey Griffin scored three runs each in the game. The defense played well led by Autumn Morin's double play to end to fourth inning. Good game, ladies. – Coach Jim Lunney.

Telstar 12, Boothbay 0; May 3 – Jessica Dirago threw her second no-hitter of the season on Friday as the Rebels defeated Boothbay. Taylor Savage, Sadie Ellsworth, Jessica, and Rachael Wheeler each scored two runs for the home team Rachael had a triple in the fourth inning and Jessica had two hits, including a bases loaded double, that ended the game by the 12-run rule. The Rebels are now 6-0 on the season. Good games, ladies. – Coach Jim Lunney.

Telstar 3, Mt. Valley 6; May 6 – The Telstar softball team suffered their first loss of the season on Monday, losing to Mt. Valley. Autumn Morin with 2 hits paced the Rebel offense, with Jen Wakefield, Kelsey Averill, and Ellie Conrad on the hit list. But, the defense was shaky as the Falcons took advantage of walks and errors to score 3 unearned runs in the second inning. The Rebels battled back to tie the score, but were unable to generate much offense in the late innings. Jessica Dirago struck out 11 for the game. Telstar is now 6-1 on the season. – Coach Jim Lunney.

High School Girls' JV Softball

Telstar 19, Mt. Abram 4; April 30 – The Lady Rebels bounced back from Monday's game to defeat Mt. Abram at home in a 5-inning game. Olivia York went the distance scattering only 2 hits, allowing the 4 runs, and 8 strikeouts. She continues to do a great job in her transition to HS ball. Repeat hitters for the Rebels were Maddie Prentice and Olivia York; big doubles each for Aislinn Forbes, Vanessa Godwin, and Becca Howard; and singles from Bri Vitale, Jillian DeLallo, Blair Stevens, and Lisa Gammon. The team continues to show great growth and team work. – Coach Mark Kenney.

High School Boys' Varsity Baseball

Telstar 2, Carrabec 12; May 1 – The Varsity baseball team dropped its fifth consecutive game of the season at Carrabec Wednesday. Eight team errors let in 10 runs for the Cobras. Cole Davis paced the Rebel hitters with 2 singles. – Coach Bob Remington.

Telstar 1, Mt. Valley 13; May 6 – The varsity baseball team suffered a loss at Mt. Valley yesterday. Under the strong pitching of Logan Bartlett, the Rebels were leading 1-0 going into the bottom of the third inning before errors allowed 4 unearned runs, and sent the Falcons on their way to victory. Rebel hitters collected 4 singles by Hunter Chase, Travis Jackson, Colton Godwin, and Buddy Williamson.

High School Girls' Track

Meet at Telstar, April 30 – Winthrop 147, Carrabec 130, Madison 117, Telstar 57, Mt. Abram 38, Hebron 33. 100m: Winning time: 14.4; 10. Maureen Glover 16.6.



Telstar pitcher Jessica Dirago threw her second no-hitter of the season Friday against Boothbay. The Rebels won 12-0. Here, Dirago delivers a pitch to a Boothbay batter.
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1600m: WT: 6:07.0; 2. Gabi Stone 6:12.0; 5. Kaitlyn Brown 6:26.0; 9. Annalise Hawthorne 6:34.0. 400m: WT: 67.0; 5. Rebecca Tuttle 73.8. 800m: 1. Casey Blaszcak 2:57.5; 4. Carla Boyle-Wight 3:03.5; 7. Alyssa Brands 3:10.0. 200m: WT: 29.5; 10. Maureen Glover 36.4. 1600 Relay: WT: 4:48.8; 2. Tuttle, Stone, Brown, and Blaszcak 5:17.2. Shot Put: Winning Distance: 31.08.0; 7. Nisrina Hamdi 20.06.0. Long Jump: WD: 15.00.5; 9. Savanna Patenaude 10.11.5. High Jump: 1. Nisrina Hamdi 4.08.0; 3. Savanna Patenaude 4.04.0. Pole Vault: WD: 6.00.0; 2. Maureen Glover 4.00.0.

High School Boys' Track

Meet at Telstar, April 30 – Madison 179, Hebron 126, Telstar 97, Winthrop 89, Mt. Abram 40, Carrabec 38. 100m Hurdles: Winning Time: 15.2; 4. Dylan Helms 20.1. 100m: WT: 11.3; 3. Cameron Pike 11.8; 10. Jared Vermette 12.5; 22. Michael Dougherty 13.3; 29. Austin Bear 15.6. 1600m: 1. Josef Holt-Andrews 4:29.4; 5. Greg Wheeler 5:30.2; 10. Henry Brooks 5:44.7. 400m Relay: WT: 46.3; 3. Griffin, Vermette, Ryerson, Pike 47.1. 400m: WT: 56.9; 13. Liam Gallagher 68.4. 300m Hurdles: WT: 45.8; 8. Dylan Helms 56.7. 800m: 1. Josef Holt-Andrews 2:06.8; 2. Bronson Dean 2:11.1. 200m: WT: 24.5; 5. Cameron Pike 25.1; 7. Austin Ryerson 25.4; 9. Jared Vermette 25.6; 10. Maverick Griffin 25.8; 20. Michael Dougherty 27.5; 26. Liam Gallagher 30.2. 1600m Relay: WT: 3:55.2; 2. Dean, Wheeler, Brooks, and Holt-Andrews 4:01.5. Shot Put: Winning Distance: 43.02.0; 4. Will Lyman 37.08.5; 8. Dylan Helms 34.00.0; 10. Ryan Vail 32.01.0; 31. Patrick Reed 23.10.0; 32. Austin Bear 21.09.0; 33. Keith Crockett-Harrington 20.07.0. Javelin: 1. Will Lyman 120.00.0; 4. Dylan Helms 108.06.3; 10. Ryan Vail 84.07.5; 19. Patrick Reed 61.08.5; Keith Crockett-Harrington 52.06.5. Long Jump: WD: 18.09.5; 5. Maverick Griffin 16.09.5; 9. Michael Dougherty 16.00.0. High Jump: WD: 5.08.0; 2. Cameron Pike 5.08.0. Pole Vault: WD: 11.06.0; 6. Austin Ryerson 6.06.0; 9. Austin Bear 4.00.0. Discus: WD: 114.07.5; 2. Will Lyman 104.06.5; 4. Ryan Vail 94.10.0; 17. Patrick Reed 78.11.0; 29. Keith Crockett-Harrington 58.01.0; 31. Austin Bear 54.09.0. Triple Jump: WD: 37.10.0; 7. Maverick Griffin 33.10.0; Austin Ryerson 33.09.5.

TMS Boys' Varsity Baseball

Telstar 5, Spruce Mountain 3; May 1 – The Telstar Middle School Varsity baseball team started the season with a victory on a beautiful, sunny day at Crescent Park School. Marcus Wentworth pitched the whole game with 5 strikeouts and only gave up 5 hits. Josh Elliot led the team with 2 singles. Tanner Wheeler and Russell Cushman added a hit each. – Coach Tim O'Connor.

Telstar 18, Buckfield 2; May 3 – The Telstar Middle School varsity baseball team defeated Buckfield in a league match-up on Friday. Josh Elliot pitched the first 4 innings, striking out 8 and not giving up any hits. Tanner Wheeler came into the last inning to strike out the side. Marcus Wentworth led the team in hits with two singles and a double. Duncan Forbes, Tanner Wheeler, Jarrett Bean, and Russell Cushman all had two hits each. The team is now 2-0 for the season. – Coach Tim O'Connor.

Middle School Girls' Varsity Softball

Telstar 6, Spruce Mountain 7; April 30 – The Telstar Middle School girls' softball opened their season with a tough fought battle against Spruce Mountain and lost. Telstar had an early 2-0 lead with back-to-back triples from Shelby Cowin and Morgan Prentice with both runners scoring. The game remained at that score until Spruce Mountain broke it open with 7 runs in the fifth. The Lady Rebels responded with runs in each inning from the fifth through the seventh, leaving the tying run at third base in the bottom of the seventh. Ladies with hits were Shelby Cowin, Morgan Prentice, and Kim Drew. The ladies remained calm and did not give up until the last out of the game. Great battle, ladies! – Coach Mary Merrill.

Telstar 13, Buckfield 3; May 3 – The Telstar Middle School girls' softball team defeated Buckfield in five innings. Leading the Lady Rebels on offense was Morgan Prentice with 3 triples and 4 runs. Other Rebels with hits for the day were Shelby Cowin, Wynter Morin, Tehya Johnson, and Josie Forbes. Tehya Johnson went the distance on the mound for the win, striking out 11. Josie Forbes made the defensive play of the game in the right field with a great running catch. Great job, ladies! – Coach Mary Merrill.

Middle School Girls' JV Softball

Telstar 18, Spruce Mountain 8; May 1 – The TMS JV Softball team won their season opener against Spruce Mountain. Erin Childs did an awesome job on the mound. Morgan Prentice had a homerun for the Rebels. Repeat hitters were Erin Childs and Victoria Hamel. Great defense was played by all. "I was very proud of how they all played as a team. Way to go, Rebels." – Coach Linda Cozzolino.

Telstar 23, Mt. Valley 19; May 6 – The TMS JV team defeated Mountain Valley. Erin Childs did a great job on the mound with 10 strikeouts. Josie Forbes did a great job behind the plate. Repeat hitters for the Rebels were Madison Roberts with a triple and a double, Erin Childs with 3 singles, and Sadie Richardson with 2 singles. The defense was awesome. Great playing by all. Way to go, Rebels. – Coach Linda Cozzolino.

Middle School Girls' Track

Meet at Telstar, May 1 – Mt. Valley 165.5, Telstar 80, Dirigo 67, Spruce Mountain 64, St. Dominic 46, Buckfield 11.5. The Telstar Middle School Track team had a successful start to their season. The girls came in second behind Mt. Valley. India Orino, Alice Pelletier, Sioux Tuttle, and Caitlin Haines took first in the 4 X 200 Relay. Major contributions came from Katie Turnick, India Orino, Caitlin Haines, Bailey Daniels, Ali Turnick, and Alice Pelletier. – Coach Steve Pelletier.

Middle School Boys' Track

Meet at Telstar, May 1 – Telstar 155, Mt. Valley 154, Dirigo 52, Spruce Mountain 41, Buckfield 12, St. Dominic 9. The Telstar Middle School track team had a successful start to their season. The boys were led by Avry Griffin, first in 55m hurdles, triple jump, and long jump, and second in 4 X 200 Relay. Matthew Bennett, first in 1600m and 800m and second in 4 X 200 Relay and High Jump. Gunner Fournier and Elijah Mason had a combined 22 points in Javelin, Discus, and Shot Put. Major contributions came from Kellen True and Alex Duclos in the sprinting events. – Coach Steve Pelletier.

Community Calendar

Thursdays, May 9 and 16

Nordic Walking with Kathleen Carroll and Carol Emery, 5 to 5:45 p.m. at Hosmer Field in Rumford and 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. at Akers Ski Walk in Andover. Bring your Nordic Walking Poles or call to reserve free demo poles for the night. You can also choose to rent poles for \$10 per week and receive \$30 off the purchase price at the end of three weeks. FMI/Pole rentals: 364-7408.

May 9, 10, 11

7 p.m. – Telstar Spring Musical "The Wizard of Oz," presented by the THS drama club, under the direction of Tom Coolidge, in the Helen C. Berry Auditorium. There will be a special 2 p.m. matinee on Saturday, May 11, in addition to the 7 p.m. performance. This event is free and open to the public. Donations to support Telstar's drama program will be cheerfully and gratefully accepted.

Thursday, May 9

10 a.m. – ACOA Meeting, Waterford Library. This is a discussion group and is open to new members. FMI: 739-9115.

2 p.m. – Summer Riding Program Overview, Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Dianne Ward of Deep Wood farm will be giving a general overview of her summer riding programs. She gives private and group lessons to all ages and abilities. Deep Wood Farm has public trail rides and weekend camping with the horses. This program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

Saturday, May 11

7:30 a.m. – 18th Annual Bird Walk, Roberts Farm Preserve (Rain date: May 12, 7:30 a.m.), sponsored by the Western Foothills Land Trust. The bird walk is highly competitive, very fun, and educational. Bring your binoculars and bird books. About 50 species are generally identified during the walk. Refreshments will be available. A \$10 donation is requested. FMI: 739-2124 or wfl@megalink.net.

8 a.m. – Hanover Volunteer Day, Hanover Town Office. Volunteers are asked to bring shovels and rakes to help with clean-up.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. – Anything Goes Spring Craft Fair and Indoor Lawn Sale, Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Proceeds to benefit the Hope Association's Special Olympics program. Raffles, Chinese Auction, jewelry, cookie walk, crafts, food, face painting, and more. FMI: 364-4561.

11 a.m. – Downtown Andover Walking Tour, Andover School, Pine Street. \$10/person for a 45-minute walkabout with scenic and historic highlights of this pretty New England town. FMI: 381-7900.

4 to 7 p.m. – Community Dinner, Telstar cafeteria. Enjoy a buffet dinner after the Wizard of Oz matinee or before the evening performance. \$7/person (\$5/person for families of 5 or more). Proceeds benefit Telstar Theater and the THS Junior class. FMI: 824-2136.

7 to 9 p.m. – Circus Ole and the Feast of Fools, Four Seasons Conference Center, South Paris. Elephants, penguins, giraffes, Aerial Silk, Hoop Dancing, Contact Juggling, and more! Tickets: \$10/adults, \$6/children

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Sunday, May 12

8 to 11 a.m. – Upton Ladies' Aid Mothers' Day Breakfast, Upton Ladies' Aid Building.
9 a.m. – Letter B Notch Riders Meeting, Upton House.
10 a.m. – Waterford World's Fair Association Clean-up Day, Waterford World's Fairgrounds. Members are needed to help with clean-up, raking, sweeping, painting, etc. Lunch will be provided for all who come and help. FMI: Ron (461-9898).

Tuesday, May 14

12 p.m. – People in Action Free Community Lunch, Andover CEB. The menu is chicken casserole, broccoli slaw, rolls, and assorted cakes.

7 p.m. – Telstar Middle/High School Spring Concert, Telstar Auditorium. Performances by Telstar's middle and high school choruses and bands under the direction of Tom Coolidge and Jennifer Bennett. This event is free and open to the public.

Wednesday, May 15

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. – SeniorsPlus, Area Agency on Aging, Norway Town Hall. SeniorsPlus will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. All events are free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

5 p.m. – Oxford County Democrats Meeting, Fare Share Common, Main Street, Norway. The event will begin with pizza and a social time followed by presentations from Sheena Bellows of the American Civil Liberties Union and B.J. McCollister of Maine Citizens for Clean Elections. Following the speakers, there will be a business meeting of the Oxford County Democratic Committee and a discussion of the preparations for the 2014 elections. FMI: <https://www.facebook.com/OxfordCountyDems>.

Thursday, May 16

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Kindergarten Registration/Screening, Woodstock Elementary School.

2 p.m. – Black Bears: Dispelling the Myths for Peaceful Coexistence, Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Sara Wright will be presenting a PowerPoint Program. This is an educational program for all: hunters and non-hunters, old and young. The program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

5 to 8 p.m. – Telstar Middle/High School Art Show, Telstar's cafeteria, hallways, and auditorium.

May 18, 19

8 a.m. Saturday to 4 p.m. Sunday – Wilderness First Aid Course, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. This 16 hour course focuses on response and assessment, musculoskeletal injuries, environmental emergencies, survival skills, soft tissue injuries, and medical emergencies. Cost: \$180-\$299, depending on whether meals and accommodations are needed. FMI: Polly or Kevin (info@mahoosuc.com) or (824-2073).

May 18, 19, 20

Wilderness First Responder Refresher Course, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. Cost: \$195-\$299, depending on whether meals and accommodations are required. FMI: Polly or Kevin (info@mahoosuc.com) or (824-2073).

Saturday, May 18

7 a.m. – Upton Historical Society's Clean-up Day. The crew will meet at the Upton school and carpool to the Forest Lodge for clean-up.

7 a.m. – White Mountain National Forest Celebrates International Migratory Bird Day. The public is invited to join biologist Lesley Rowse on a 2 hour bird walk beginning at the parking area near Hastings Campground at the junction of Highway 113 and Wild River Road. FMI: Lesley Rowse (603-466-2713).

8:30 a.m. – Kids Fun Run for Boston, Davis Park. \$15 registration fee (checks payable to the Richards Family Fund) can be mailed along with registration form to Shanta Hoff, 175 Walkers Mills Road, Bethel, Maine, 04217. The course will run .26 miles down the bike path and back to the starting line. Open to all ages. For registration form e-mail Shanta at shepababy@me.com. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Richards Family Fund.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. – VFW Post 9787 Indoor Yard Sale, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Refreshment counter open. FMI: Marilyn Ramsay (743-5723).

10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – Feng Shui Paths to Peace, Earth Spirit Healing Center, 150 Highland Terrace, Mexico. Experience conscious interior design. Learn its principles and applications to optimize your living space. \$30/person. FMI/registration: 381-7900.

1 to 4 p.m. – Second Annual Krystal Carnival, Upton School. Open to kids up to sixth grade. There will be prizes and games. The Ladies' Aid will have snacks and treats available at the Ladies' Aid Building.

5 p.m. – Public Buffet Supper, Finnish American Heritage Center. The menu will consist of Finnish, American, and other ethnic foods, \$8/adults, \$4/children. Sponsored by the Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine.

7 to 10 p.m. – Old-Fashioned Dance Music with Jones Dance Band, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Adults: \$5.

Sunday, May 19

1 p.m. – Upton Historical Society Meeting, Upton School.

2 p.m. – Waterford World's Fair Association Membership Meeting, Waterford World's Fairgrounds.
2 p.m. – Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine Meeting, Finnish-American Heritage Center. The Finlandia Foundation's Lecturer of the Year, Yvonne Lockwood, will present a program on Material Culture and Traditions in Finnish America using illustrations from her own study of rag rugs, looms, foods, woodworking, and more. This program is open to the public.

Tuesday, May 21

12 to 3:30 p.m. – Kindergarten Registration, Agnes Gray School, West Paris.

Puzzles4Kids

by Helene Hovanec

WORD FUN

Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read DOWN to answer this riddle:

WHAT DO YOU CALL PEOPLE WHO MOW THE GRASS ON A BASEBALL FIELD?

SADDLE	LEADS	SCRIPT	TRIPS
OBLIGE	GLOBE	UPSETS	PESTS
SIESTA	SITES	STATED	DATES
REMIND	DINER	STEVEN	SEVEN
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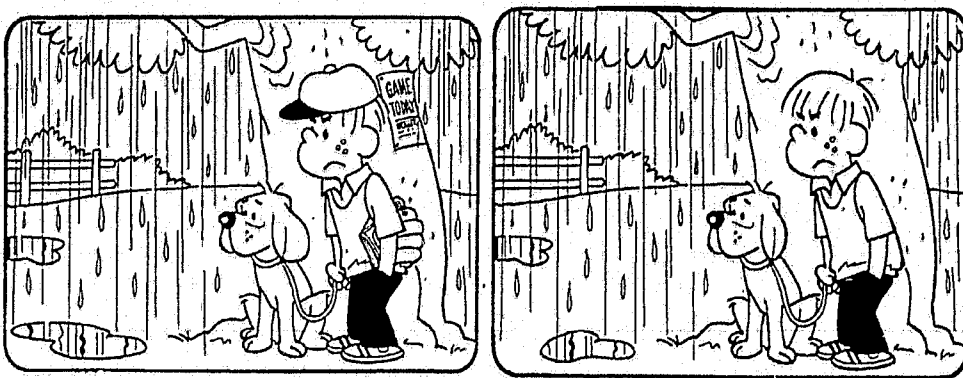
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences:
1. Post is missing. 2. Puddle is smaller. 3. Dog's ear is different. 4. Cap is missing. 5. Poster is missing. 6. Glove is missing.

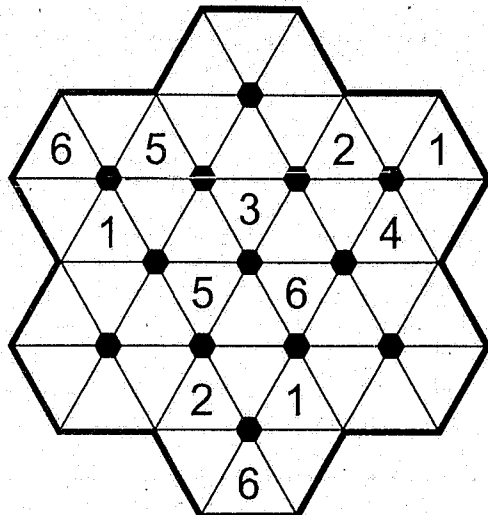
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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

◆ Easy ◆◆ Medium ◆◆◆ Difficult

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Take

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Calm

FAYPIC

Grant

LOWAL

Layout

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TODAY'S WORD

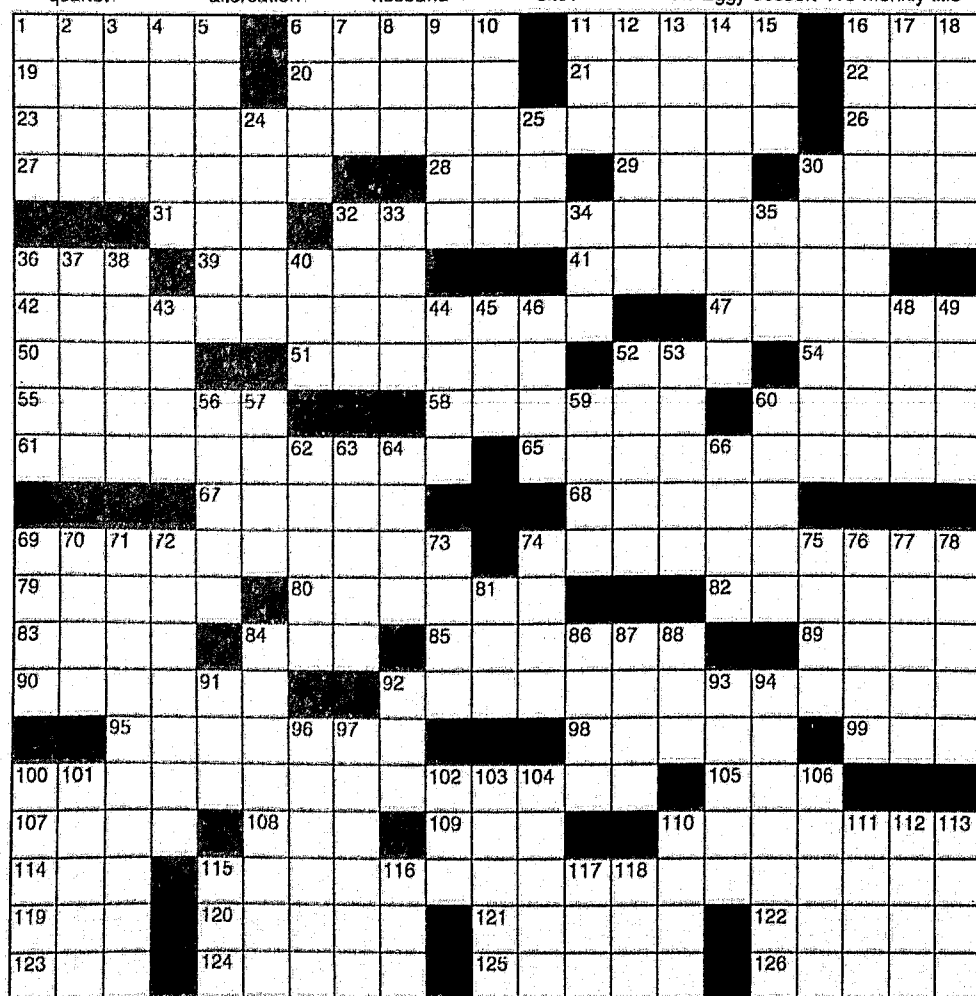


"I know I said I'd give you a raise, Baxter, but I asked for a opinion and my wife said 'no'!"

Super Crossword

REACHING THE FRESH HOLD

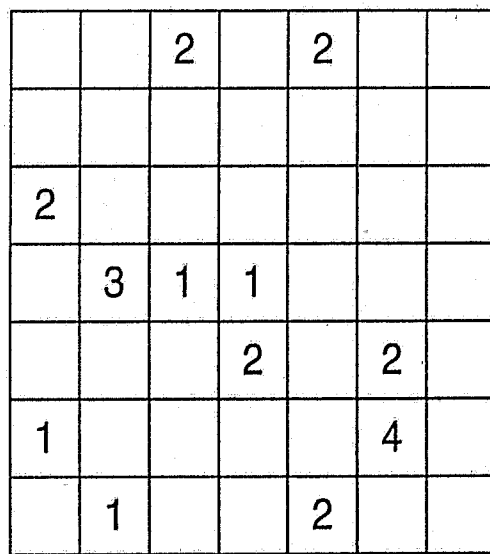
- ACROSS
- 1 Rand McNally book
- 6 Deli cheese
- 11 Easy — be
- 16 Gremlin
- 19 — apso (dog breed)
- 20 Proofreading symbol
- 21 Donald's first ex
- 22 Shootist's org.
- 23 Brand-new scientific discovery?
- 26 Sackable NFL players
- 27 Attack
- 28 With 30-Across, allire for the slopes
- 29 Filmom's Spike
- 30 See 28-Across
- 31 Roth — (savings plan)
- 32 Let baby oinkers out of their cages?
- 36 Klee pieces
- 39 Mystery writer Marsh
- 41 Lives, as in a house
- 42 Powerful quartet?
- 47 Naturist's practice
- 50 Yollers of "Family Ties"
- 51 ASAP part
- 52 Mauna — (volcano)
- 54 Great Plains tribe
- 55 Geared for the garage?
- 58 Water, lime, and rust
- 60 Prior to
- 61 Cousin of a regular Joe?
- 65 Hidden part of a guitar neck?
- 67 Lube anew
- 68 Act segment
- 69 Yellowbelly's cry of disgust?
- 74 In a shark costume?
- 79 Actor Lash
- 80 Shortage
- 82 — "Nacht" (German "Silent Night")
- 83 "Pity, pity"
- 84 Fraternal patriotic org.
- 85 — just me?
- 89 Regretful person
- 90 Continued
- 92 Had a vocal alteration?
- 95 Large artery
- 98 Rockies' — Mountains
- 99 Motel units: Abbr.
- 100 Study of deep ruts?
- 105 Skeleton lead-in
- 107 Gung-ho
- 108 Little, to a 6-Down
- 109 TripTik org.
- 110 Prioritized, as wounded people
- 114 Frat letters
- 115 Ruffile that wins a blue ribbon?
- 119 "Y"-sporting collegian
- 120 Odor detectors
- 121 On — firma
- 122 Cliff nest
- 123 Govt. prosecutors
- 124 Food box
- 125 "There's no such thing — publicity"
- 126 Poodle, e.g.
- DOWN
- 1 — Romeo (sporty car)
- 2 — is a test"
- 3 Phyllis' TV husband
- 4 Very, to Vivaldi
- 5 U.S. rocket launched in 1961
- 6 Dundee dweller
- 7 1812 event
- 8 Tee off
- 9 Hearing, e.g.
- 10 Incite
- 11 Not feel well
- 12 Gracefully slender
- 13 Plebes and doolies, e.g.
- 14 Lara Croft player Jolie
- 15 No, to a 6-Down
- 16 Harsh interrogator
- 17 Top banana
- 18 People's histories
- 24 Actress/ writer Fannie
- 25 Actor/ humorist Shriner
- 30 Drove away quickly
- 32 Is the right size
- 33 Orison and Clark
- 34 Like the verb "be": Abbr.
- 35 College URL ender
- 36 Top web site?
- 37 Titanic tuskier
- 38 2200 hours
- 40 "That's ill"
- 43 Sir's partner
- 44 Nourishment
- 45 Losing tic-tac-toe row
- 46 Pt. of NYU
- 48 Spot to salve
- 49 Get together
- 52 Vivitar rival
- 53 Knighted physician William
- 56 "I Dream of Jeannie" actor
- Hayden —
- 57 Karate weapon
- 59 Not those, in Brooklynese
- 60 Make — in (start working on)
- 62 "Klute" star Jane
- 63 More plentiful Hollywood's Kazan
- 66 1990s NFL running back Curtis
- 69 Cal weapon
- 70 Robust
- 71 1979-81 hostage situation
- 72 Eggy dessert
- 73 Switch or smack suffix
- 74 Tory's rival
- 75 Missy
- 76 Prefix for element #9
- 77 Intestinal division
- 78 Geeky types
- 81 Mr. Capote, informally
- 84 Arctic footwear
- 86 Feng —
- 87 Inflammation suffix
- 88 Large load
- 91 Roman gold
- 92 Med banner
- 93 Embryo enclosers
- 94 Hack's car
- 95 Least spicy
- 97 "Not just yet"
- 100 Well-known
- 101 Throat dangler
- 102 Chou En- —
- 103 Ukraine port
- 104 Mall draws
- 106 Western film
- 110 Tube spot
- 111 Author Vidal
- 112 Sandusky's county
- 113 Like batik
- 115 TV's Spike, formerly
- 116 Q-U divider
- 117 Ball in space
- 118 Monkly title



Star★Map

By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



DIFFICULTY: ★

★ Easy ★★ Moderate ★★★ YOWZA!

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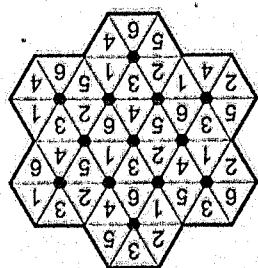
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1. Steal; 2. Pacify;

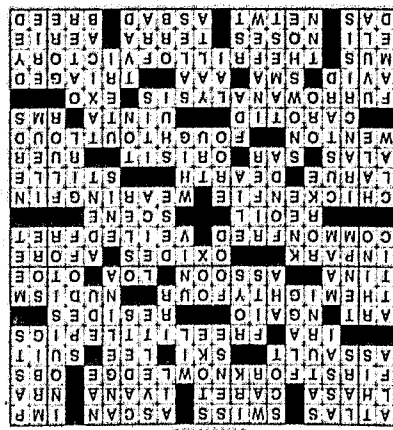
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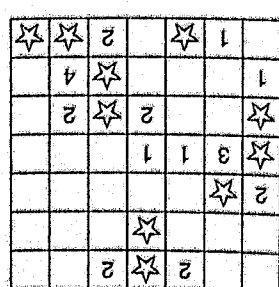
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LEADS



SNOWFLAKES solution



Super Crossword



Star★Map solution

ANSWERS:

MAY

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Finnish-Am. Society

The Finnish-American Heritage Society of Maine will host Yvonne Lockwood, Finlandia Foundation's Lecturer of the Year, at their regular monthly meeting at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 19 at the Finnish-American Heritage Center, 8 Maple Street, West Paris. The program is open to the public. Lockwood will present a program on Material Culture and Traditions in Finnish America, using illustrations from her own study of rag rugs, looms, foods, woodworking, and more. Ms. Lockwood was born and raised in the densely Finnish-populated Upper Peninsula of Michigan before moving to California where she went to high school and college. Returning to Michigan, she has researched and written on various aspects of Finnish America. Her book, "Finnish American Rag Rugs: Art, Tradition, and Ethnic Continuity," is the result of 20 years of research.

Bethel Inn golf course opening

The golf course at The Bethel Inn Resort will kick off the season on Thursday, May 9, with Men's League at 5 p.m., then open daily for the season on Friday, May 10. "We're extremely excited to get the golf season underway. The course is in outstanding shape, the best greens I've seen in recent years," said Mark Mallory, Head Golf Professional at The Bethel Inn Resort. "From our weekly leagues to junior clinics and our popular golf school programs, we have some exciting golf events planned for local golfers, members and guests this summer." For more information on golf and to reserve tee times call 824-2175, 800-654-0125 or visit www.bethelinn.com.

Berlin hosts energy fair

The Berlin Area Renewable Energy Initiative (BAREI) would like to announce the list of speakers, their times and topics that will be presenting at the energy fair we will be hosting this Saturday, May 11, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the White Mountains Community College at 2020 Riverside Drive in Berlin. This year's fair has three times the vendors of last year. If you have any questions about energy efficiency or any of the alternative energies this is the time and place to have them answered. If you are among the first 100 to preregister, you will receive a free CFL light bulb and a free lunch. Everyone is eligible to purchase CFL bulbs for \$.75 each (limit 10 per person) and we will have some LED bulbs on sale for \$.95. For more information or to preregister, e-mail egs65@hotmail.com or (Mon, Wed, or Fri 8-5) call 752-3625.

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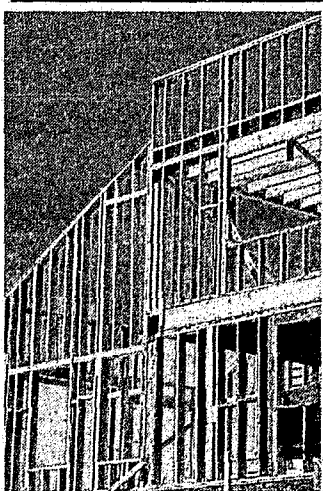
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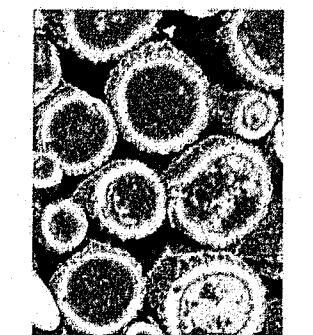
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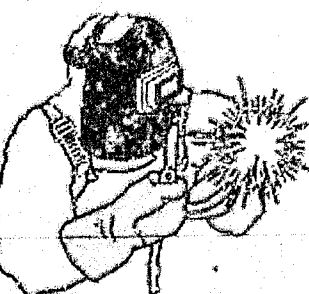
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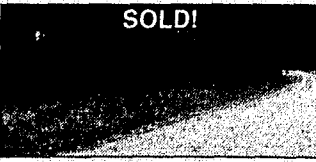
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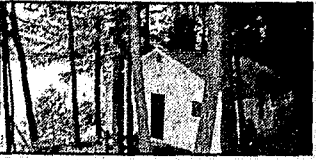
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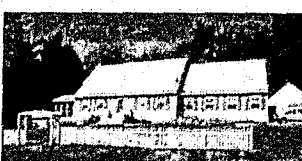
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TODD A. TYLER

Todd A. Tyler, 39, of Federal Road, Livermore, died unexpectedly in Andover, on Friday, May 4, 2013.

He was born in Norway, Maine, on Jan. 3, 1974, the son of Shirley Tyler and had attended schools in Livermore Falls, Maine.

Todd worked at Oxford Aviation as a spray painter for many years. He enjoyed his work as a painter, riding ATVs, the outdoors and cars.

Survivors include his aunts, Pamela Soper and husband Irvin of Livermore and Sandra Farnum and husband David of Bry-

ant Pond; uncles, Richard Tyler of Locke Mills, Tim Tyler and wife Maryann of Rumford, and John Tyler; and his fiancé Alicia McLean of Livermore.

Friends are invited to sign the family guest book and share their thoughts, condolences and memories online at www.mead-erandson.com.

Graveside services will be held at a later date at the East Bethel Cemetery, Bethel.



DOROTHY J. MILLS

Dorothy Jean Mills, 83, of Elm Street, Andover,

died Saturday, May 4, 2013 at the Rumford Hospital, Rumford, Maine.

She was born in Rumford on Feb. 15, 1930, the daughter of Philip and Margaret (Thomas) Learned, and graduated from Andover High School Class of 1947.

She was a member of the Andover Congregational Church and the Andover Friday Club, the Andover Women's Club, Andover Grange, Mollycoddett Mixers Square Dance Club, and the Andover Pythian Sisters. She enjoyed working in her flower and vegetable garden, knitting, square dancing, baking and spending time with her family and "Annie."

She also enjoyed the outings at camp at Roxbury Pond and Flat Rock. She enjoyed sitting on her front porch and those last-minute day-long shopping trips with her family and friends and finding new restaurants.

She also owned and operated Mills Market with her

husband for many years.

She was married in Portland, Maine, on Dec. 4, 1946 to Roger H. Mills, Jr., who survives of Andover. Other survivors include her sons Roger Mills, III and wife Lucille of Windsor, Philip Mills and wife Paula of Rumford, Michael Mills and wife Peggy of Roxbury, Christopher Mills and wife Sheila of South Portland, Richard Mills and wife "Charlie" of Andover, and Brian Mills and wife Susan of Andover; daughters Karen Vachon and husband Bob of Brookfield, N.H. Margaret Madigan and husband Joe of Andover, Leslie Jamison and husband Charlie of Mexico, Melinda Averill and husband Doug of Andover, and Patricia Cox and husband Bruce of West Peru; 40 Grandchildren; 41 Great-grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; brothers Philip Learned and wife Mary of Andover, Russell Learned and wife Donna of Tacoma, Wash.; sister-in-law Sally Wilson and husband Keith of Salem, N.H.

Friends are invited to sign the family guest book and share their thoughts, condolences and memories online at www.mead-erandson.com.

Funeral services were conducted Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at the Andover Congregational Church, Andover. Interment will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery, Andover, Maine.



EVANGELINE A. KENISTON

Evangeline Audyne Keniston died at her home on Sunday, May 5, 2013, after a long illness. She was born Aug. 20, 1921 in Levant, Maine, to Everett and Zillah Rockwell. Mrs. Keniston is survived by her husband of 68 years, Floyd Francis Keniston.

The Kenistons were residents of Bryant Pond for 58 years. They have been residing at 214 Plains Road in Hollis for the past 2½ years.

Evangeline graduated from Oakland High School in 1939. She attended Colby College in Waterville and Becker Business School in Worcester, Mass. Floyd and Evangeline were married in Oakland on Feb. 9, 1945.

Mr. and Mrs. Keniston were members of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church and now attend the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Hollis. Evangeline enjoyed playing the piano and the organ at home and at church. She was an accomplished seamstress, making all of her daughter's dresses for school, as

well as knitting and crocheting for her family.

Her loving husband, Floyd, devoted all his time to care for her through her long illness. Evangeline's gentle, kind heart made a difference to all who knew her.

Mrs. Keniston is also survived by three daughters: Karen Neary of Standish, Kathy Cummings of Bethel and Kendra Ouellette and husband Chet of Hollis; a son, Kendall Keniston and wife Suzette of South Paris; 7 grandchildren; and 8 great-grandchildren. Mrs. Keniston has three living brothers and a sister and was predeceased by three brothers and a sister.

Online condolences may be shared with her family at www.chandlerfunerals.com.

Services for Mrs. Keniston will be held on Saturday, May 11, at 10 a.m. at the Pleasant Hill Baptist Church in Hollis, off Route 117 on the Pleasant Hill Road.

In lieu of flowers the family requests donations go to the Alzheimer's Association to help in the research to find a cure for Alzheimer's and dementia. Arrangements are under the direction of Chandler Funeral Homes & Cremation Service, Andrews Chapel, 64 Andrews Road, Bryant Pond.

ROBERTS SERVICE

Graveside services for Fay B. Roberts will be held on Wednesday, May 15 at 1 p.m. at Abbotts Mills Cemetery in Rumford.



Nancy B. Young

Your presence we miss,
Your memory we treasure,
Loving you always,
Forgetting you never.

Love,
Shonna, Joshua & Jimmy

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John E. Cox Jr. 5-15-1944 - 5-3-2003	Alice D. Kennison 5-27-1912 - 9-30-2011	John (E Cox IV) Danforth 4-30-1983 - 2-9-2013
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Our hearts are heavy, our pain is deep. When we think of you we often weep. The days drag by, time stands still. We miss you so much and we always will. We think of the good times, we try to hold on. Then reality hits and we realize you're gone. We keep your memory deep in our hearts. Some day we'll all be together never to part.

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ATTENTION LOT OWNERS:
IT IS CLEAN UP TIME AT BETHEL RIVERSIDE CEMETERY.
In our ongoing effort to make our cemetery as attractive as possible, it is requested that any faded, wilted, or dying flowers or shrubbery, or other unsightly materials be removed prior to May 11, 2013, when any such remaining will be removed by the cemetery.
Thank you for your assistance.
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